

**HB 3114 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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**Meeting Dates:** 6/15

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

The measure makes General Fund appropriations to the Ocean Science Trust, Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Higher Education Coordinating Commission for specific purposes outlined in the measure. \$1.06 million is appropriated to Ocean Science Trust to be spent in consultation with the Oregon Coordinating Council on Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia for competitive grants; \$470,000 General Fund to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for a shellfish and estuarian assessment of coastal Oregon and to conduct estuary mapping for long-term documentation of ocean acidification and hypoxia impacts; and finally, \$370,000 to HECC to distribute to Oregon State University for specific work.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Fiscal impact of the measure

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The 2017 Oregon Legislature created the Oregon Coordinating Council on Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia (OAH Council). In 2019, Oregon's OAH Action Plan (Action Plan) was finalized. The Action Plan is a 6-year roadmap for Oregon's efforts on OAH from 2019 to 2025 based on the Council's 2018 OAH Legislative Report. House Bill 3114 would appropriate funds to the Oregon Ocean Science Trust, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and Oregon State University for the purposes related to ocean acidification and hypoxia.