

## HB 2786 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources

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**Action Date:** 03/11/21

**Action:** Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.  
(Printed A-Eng.)

**Vote:** 9-1-0-0

**Yeas:** 9 - Breese-Iverson, Cate, Hudson, Marsh, McLain, Post, Smith DB, Williams, Witt

**Nays:** 1 - Reardon

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4, 3/11

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to study barriers to and methods to promote family-scale meat production pertaining to slaughter waste disposal systems, composting of slaughter waste and disposal of dead livestock, including barriers arising from laws and rules. Directs ODA to recommend legislative or regulatory avenues to remove barriers for family-scale meat producers to dispose of dead livestock and to promote access to rendering facilities. Requires ODA to submit a report on the study and recommendations to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022. Appropriates \$50,000 General Fund moneys to ODA for this work. Takes effect on 91<sup>st</sup> day following adjournment sine die.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Lack of certified meat processing facilities in the state
- Inconvenience for family-scale meat producers to travel out of state to access animal rendering facilities
- Feasibility of mobile slaughterhouses
- Meat donation to local food banks

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Deletes provision appropriating \_\_\_ funds to the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA). Adds direction to ODA to study barriers for family-scale meat producers pertaining to slaughter waste disposal systems, composting of slaughter waste and disposal of dead livestock, including barriers arising from laws and rules. Directs ODA to recommend legislative or regulatory avenues to remove barriers for family-scale meat producers to dispose of dead livestock and to promote access to rendering facilities. Requires ODA to submit a report on the study and recommendations to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022. Appropriates \$50,000 General Fund moneys to ODA for this work.

#### BACKGROUND:

The disruptions in availability and the rising prices of meat, particularly due to the coronavirus pandemic, have increased interest among people to raise their own meat animals at home for consumption and/or small-scale business.

House Bill 2786 A would direct Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to study barriers to and methods to promote family-scale meat production pertaining to slaughter waste disposal systems, composting of slaughter waste and disposal of dead livestock, including barriers arising from laws and rules. It would direct ODA to recommend legislative or regulatory avenues to remove barriers for family-scale meat producers to dispose of dead livestock and to promote access to rendering facilities and require ODA to submit a report on the study and recommendations to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by September

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