

## HB 2787 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Agriculture and Natural Resources

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**Action Date:** 04/01/21

**Action:** Do pass. Refer to Ways and Means.

**Vote:** 10-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 10 - Breese-Iverson, Cate, Hudson, Marsh, McLain, Post, Reardon, Smith DB, Williams, Witt

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4, 4/1

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), in consultation with Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), to study laws related to permitting of animal rendering facilities and provide recommendations for legislation. Requires DEQ to provide the study results in a report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022. Sunsets Act on January 2, 2023. Takes effect on 91<sup>st</sup> day following adjournment sine die.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Costs for Oregon farmers to transport animal by-products for processing
- Technological advancement in rendering plants

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) describes rendering as a process of reducing, converting, or melting down fat by heating to produce products that can be used in foods or to make soap, candles, or lubricants. Animal rendering facilities process animal by-product materials to produce tallow, grease, and high-protein meat and bone meal.

House Bill 2787 directs DEQ, in consultation with Oregon Department of Agriculture, to study laws related to permitting of animal rendering facilities, provide recommendations for legislation, and report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2022.