

HB 2174 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Owens

House Committee On Rules

Action Date: 04/06/21

Action: Do pass with amendments and rescind subsequent referral to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Yeas: 7 - Bonham, Drazan, Fahey, Holvey, Salinas, Smith Warner, Zika

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/16, 4/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Oregon Department of Administrative Services, upon request of county governing body, to credit forest reserve funds otherwise credited to county road fund to instead be credited to an intergovernmental entity created by intergovernmental agreement, county road district, or road service district that serves the entire county. Requires moneys to be used in same manner and subject to same restrictions as county road fund moneys.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Funding required to be used for the same purposes as county road fund moneys
- Eligible public bodies provided for under current law but may need to be established by counties
- Restriction that public bodies serve the entire county or multiple counties

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Limits eligible entities to intergovernmental entity created by intergovernmental agreement, county road district, or road service district.

BACKGROUND:

Under state law, all sums received by the state from the federal government as its share of the amounts collected for forest reserve rentals, sales of timber, and other sources from forest reserves within Oregon, must be distributed among the counties in which the forest reserves are located. State law requires that counties divide these funds, allocating 75 percent to the county's road fund and 25 percent to the school fund. Certain counties are allowed to adjust these allocations.

House Bill 2174 A allows a county governing body to request that the Department of Administrative Services credit forest reserve moneys that would otherwise be credited to the county road fund to be credited to certain public bodies whose service areas include the entire county.