

HB 2070 extends privilege taxes on merchantable forest products, but how much? How are we to trust our Legislators with an open ended increase on a tax with no stated increase when there are multiple timber tax bills this session. Sometimes I wonder if Legislators are so focused on their own bills that they don't account for the tremendous amount of other similar bills taxing the same industry, but maybe that's naive.

HB 2070 is anticipated to have an impact on Department of Revenue, Department of State Lands, Oregon Judicial Department, Department of Forestry, Department of Land Conservation and Development, Higher Education Coordinating Commission and Counties, so there is obviously an increase that is wanted, what is the increase?

Please consider the expense and losses the timberland owners are experiencing at this time after the wildfires.

Please oppose any and all new and increases taxes! We are all still reeling for COVID and the wildfires.

Thank you for your time,
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