

**SB 1582 A -6 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Revenue**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Authorizes board of directors of rural fire protection district to annex to district lands that are within seven road miles of fire station within district, or are brought within seven road miles of fire station within district. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Rural home development.
- Risk assessment.
- Insurance liability and rates.
- Voluntary firefighters.
- Voluntary annexation by homeowners to district.

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-6 Removes from bill, authority of Rural Fire Protection District to expand boundary or annex property by vote. Requires that property that is within seven road miles of fire station within district be included in Rural Fire Protection District if it receives improvements or if its ownership is transferred.

**BACKGROUND:**

Property located within an established taxing district is subject to property taxation. Annexation of property to taxing districts is provided for in ORS 198.705 to 198.955. Rural fire protection districts are taxing districts with taxation authority and service obligations according to ORS 198.010.