

**SB 65 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Natural Resources**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Defines 'aquaculture.' Directs the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to establish a program to purchase aquaculture products from private facilities. Requires ODFW to spend at least 20 percent of annual trout hatchery moneys to purchase privately produced trout, and to enter into one- to five-year purchase contracts with in-state private aquaculture facilities. Authorizes ODFW to purchase aquaculture products from out-of-state private aquaculture facilities under certain conditions. Requires ODFW to annually audit and assess the cost of ODFW programs for raising fish and to report results to a wildlife committee of the legislature.

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.*

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 65 would direct the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to establish a program to purchase aquaculture products from private aquaculture facilities and to annually audit and assess the cost of ODFW fish-raising programs.