

**HB 2245 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water**

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**Sub-Referral To:** Joint Committee On Tax Expenditures

**Meeting Dates:** 2/7

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Reinstates reforestation tax credit against personal income and corporate income and excise taxes by allowing preliminary certificates to be issued from December 31, 2023 to December 31, 2029. Eliminates January 2, 2028 repeal of reforestation tax credit statutes. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Commercial forestland is considered underproductive when it does not meet certain minimum stocking standards as laid out in the Oregon Forest Practices Act. The Oregon reforestation tax credit applies when underproductive forestland is developed into a commercial forest and the State Forester issues a preliminary certificate. The credit allows for 50 percent of reforestation project costs, including site preparation, tree planting, other silviculture treatments considered necessary by the State Forester, and filing fees. The tax credit is currently set to be repealed on January 2, 2028.