

Requested by Representative OWENS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 3130**

1 Delete lines 4 through 11 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-**  
3 **ation, there is appropriated to the Water Resources Department, for**  
4 **the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the**  
5 **amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, which shall be expended for:**

6 **“(1) Funding a staff position at the department; and**

7 **“(2) Allocating moneys to an entity located within Harney County,**  
8 **jointly agreed to by the department and Harney County Court, for**  
9 **contracting with a qualified entity to:**

10 **“(a) Advise ground water users in the Greater Harney Valley**  
11 **Groundwater Area of Concern, and other interested stakeholders that**  
12 **work on ground water management in the Greater Harney Valley**  
13 **Groundwater Area of Concern, concerning voluntary agreements**  
14 **among ground water users from the same ground water reservoir, as**  
15 **described in ORS 537.745;**

16 **“(b) Assess the opportunities and limitations of using the voluntary**  
17 **agreements in the Greater Harney Valley Groundwater Area of Con-**  
18 **cern; and**

19 **“(c) Assist ground water users in the Greater Harney Valley**  
20 **Groundwater Area of Concern with developing the voluntary agree-**  
21 **ments.”.**

