

I SUPPORT [SB 5539]...MORE FUNDING IS NEEDED!

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"Open Government Impact Statement
82nd Oregon Legislative Assembly 2023 Regular Session
Measure: SB 5539:"

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REALLOCATE FUNDS FROM HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board requires more revenue.

**Due to increasing inflation and higher interest rates, current and proposed funding is not sufficient to meet the operational requirements to protect and enhance Oregon's precious and irreplaceable watersheds.

** "..Article XV, section 4b, of Oregon Constitution..." requires structural growth in funding allocations to ensure compliance.

**"...The Natural Resources Subaccount of Parks and Natural Resources Fund..." should be two separate and distinct 'Restricted Use Funds.'

*** "The Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program (OAHP) requires serious review.

The **OAHP** should have its' own FUND separate and distinct from all funding sources AND should be designated as a "Restricted Use Fund" to guard against wily and despicable Oregonian Legislators from raiding the FUND for other purposes.

*****Below is an example of the wasteful allocation of funding and increasing debt burdens.**

→What is the Housing and Community Services Department's total debt as of [04.20.23]?

→The Debt Service alone is [\$155,800,792.00] allocated from this session's GENERAL FUND.

Check-out [SB 5511 (2023) Section 5]



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...And...

The Legislature wants to issue more bonds.

Add up the bonding amounts dedicated for the Housing and Community Services Department in [HB 5005 (2023)].

[HB 5005 (2023)] <https://olis.oregonlegislature.gov/liz/2023R1/Downloads/MeasureDocument/HB5005/Introduced>

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Mr. Oregon Concurr and says, "Protect, Fund and Defend Oregon's precious Natural Resources."