

HB 3366 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 3/25, 4/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure appropriates \$8.25 million of general funds to Department of Administrative Services for the Rouge Siskiyou Training Center

Fiscal impact: Fiscal lite

Revenue impact: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Concerns about the need for highly trained firefighters for wildfire response
- Concerns about the need for training and support for rural firefighters and local volunteers
- Concerns that wildfire seasons will be longer and have even more impact than recent wildfires
- Questions about the funding the center has already secured

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Rouge Siskiyou Training Center aims to provide ground support, air support and public safety training for wildfire response. According to the Center, funding has already been secured to purchase the property site, complete environmental work, conduct initial site prep and security, and complete the preliminary engineering and architectural design.