

SJR 11 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

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Sub-Referral To: Senate Committee On Rules

Meeting Dates: 4/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Proposes an amendment to Oregon's Constitution that would dedicate a fixed (currently blank) percentage of net proceeds of the State Lottery to a wildfire fund created by the Legislature. Moneys in the wildfire fund may be used for purposes related to the prevention, suppression or management of wildfires in Oregon. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The 2023-25 biennial resources for the Lottery are just under \$1,952 million. Of this total, roughly \$642 million are Constitutionally dedicated to the Education Stability Fund (\$335 million), the Parks and Natural Resources Fund (\$279 million), and the Veterans' Service Fund (\$28 million). Another \$1,260 million has been allocated to other programs by the Legislature. As of the February 2025 forecast, just under \$51 million remains unallocated.