

**HB 3910 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

The measure modifies criteria that authorizes a water supply district to exercise the powers of a sanitary district. It requires the district to hold a public hearing and obtain written consent from any existing sanitary district or other service provider operating within the area. Declares an emergency, effective upon passage.

Fiscal impact: Has minimal fiscal impact.

Revenue impact: No revenue impact.

HOUSE VOTE: Ayes, 49; Nays, 0; Excused, 11.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

In Oregon, a domestic water supply district is a local government entity established to provide water for domestic use to residents within the district, and in some cases, to individuals outside the district. A sanitary district is a local government entity responsible for managing and providing sanitary services, such as wastewater treatment, sewage disposal, and stormwater management. A domestic water supply district may be authorized to exercise the powers of a sanitary district under certain conditions, including sewage and drainage management, if the associated watershed meets specific criteria outlined in ORS 264.335: Authority to exercise powers of sanitary district.