

HB 2806 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure authorizes the Oregon Department of Agriculture to increase license fees charged for a commercial weighing or measuring instrument by up to seven percent on July 1 in each year in 2026 and 2027, and up to three percent annually thereafter, up to a newly established limit.

Detailed summary:

Increases the maximum fees the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) is authorized to charge for specific commercial weighing or measuring instruments. Authorizes ODA to increase current fees on July 1 in each year in 2026 and 2027 by up to seven percent of the amount of the license fee for the previous fiscal year. Makes permanent ODA's authorization to increase fees by up to three percent annually thereafter, up to the newly established maximum fees. The measure takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

The proposed -1 amendment changes the authorized increased percentage to fees for license years that begin July 1 in each year 2026 and 2027 from 7% to 10%.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) administers Oregon's Weights and Measures program, which regulates and enforces commercial weights and measures requirements within Oregon to ensure they are suitable for their intended use, accurate, and properly installed and maintained. Currently, ODA's authorization to increase the fees associated with this program is set to expire on July 1, 2026.