

HB 2805 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Prepared By: Katie Bannikov, Budget Analyst

Meeting Dates: 5/22, 5/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure removes the current cap on license fee increases charged by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to food establishments and instead authorizes ODA to annually increase license fees for food establishments by up to three percent.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The fiscal impact of the measure.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Agriculture regulates production, processing, and distribution of food products and requires operators of certain retail stores, bakeries, food processors and warehouses, dairy product plants, domestic kitchens in which foods for sale are prepared, and others to obtain a food safety license. Under current statute, this license fee cannot increase beyond the amount charged for the license year that began on July 1, 2025, for an establishment of the same type and having the same volume of gross sales.