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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee
From: Twais Broadus, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 3, 2025
Subject: HB 2947 – Relating to a study of PFAS in biosolids applied to land
Work Session Recommendations

The measure directs Oregon State University (OSU) to conduct a statewide study on PFAS in biosolids applied to non-food agricultural fields. The study will assess PFAS concentrations in biosolids, soils, and crops; evaluate retention and leaching in soil; and compare results to existing research. OSU must collaborate with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and wastewater service providers. The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) is provided a one-time appropriation of \$410,000 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium for distribution to OSU to carry out the provisions of the measure. DEQ will provide \$390,000 in additional project support from federal and local sources. A progress report is due to the Legislature by December 15, 2026, and a final report by September 1, 2028.

Amendment

LFO recommends adoption of the –A3 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A3 amendment to HB 2947. *(vote)*

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 2947, as amended by the –A3 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 2947, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. *(vote)*

Carriers

Full Committee:

House Floor:

Senate Floor: