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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee
From: Twais Broadus, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 05, 2025
Subject: SB 793 – Relating to easements on state land
Work Session Recommendations

The measure directs the Department of State Lands (DSL) to establish, by rule, application fees, renewal fees, and compensation rates to construct, maintain and decommission water, gas, electric, communication, or telecommunication service lines, fixtures, or other facilities on state land located within the territorial sea. The current fee structure of \$5,000 per application for easements within the territorial sea is maintained until the new fee schedules take effect, which must occur by January 1, 2027. Additionally, the Department must submit a progress report to the Legislature by February 15, 2026.

Costs associated with the measure are anticipated to be minimal and exist within the Department's budget. Associated revenue with the changes is indeterminate as the fee structure is unknown and will exist in administrative rule. Under ORS 291.055, fees that are administratively set must be ratified by the Legislature during the next session or they are rescinded.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 793 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 793 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. *(vote)*

Carriers

Full Committee:

House Floor:

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