

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2947

Relating to a study of PFAS in biosolids applied to land

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Natural Resources Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Owens

HB 2947 supports a statewide study on the presence of 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. Oregon State University will lead this effort in coordination with the Department of Environmental Quality and wastewater service providers.

The measure includes a one-time appropriation of \$410,000 General Fund and anticipates an additional \$390,000 in support from federal and local sources. A progress report is due to the Legislature in 2026, with a final report due in 2028.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends HB 2947 be amended by the –A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.