

Senate Bill 409

Sponsored by Senator GIROD (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: This Act says that the state will use carbon stored in land and water when calculating the state greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).

Declares that the policy of this state is to include atmospheric carbon sequestered by the lands and waters of this state in any calculation to determine progress toward the greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to carbon sequestration; amending ORS 468A.205.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 468A.205 is amended to read:

5 468A.205. (1) The Legislative Assembly declares that it is the policy of this state to reduce
6 greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon pursuant to the following greenhouse gas emissions reduction
7 goals:

8 (a) By 2010, arrest the growth of Oregon's greenhouse gas emissions and begin to reduce
9 greenhouse gas emissions.

10 (b) By 2020, achieve greenhouse gas levels that are 10 percent below 1990 levels.

11 (c) By 2050, achieve greenhouse gas levels that are at least 75 percent below 1990 levels.

12 **(2) The Legislative Assembly declares that it is the policy of this state to include atmo-**
13 **spheric carbon sequestered by the lands and waters of this state, including Oregon's forests,**
14 **desert lands and territorial sea, in any calculation to determine progress toward the**
15 **greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals established by this section.**

16 [(2)] (3) The Legislative Assembly declares that it is the policy of this state for state and local
17 governments, businesses, nonprofit organizations and individual residents to prepare for the effects
18 of global warming and by doing so, prevent and reduce the social, economic and environmental ef-
19 fects of global warming.

20 [(3)] (4) This section does not create any additional regulatory authority for an agency of the
21 executive department as defined in ORS 174.112.

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.