

# Senate Bill 638

Sponsored by Senator BONHAM (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: The Act says some persons may cut trees without following certain laws. The Act says that the laws apply again after the trees are cut. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.4).

Provides that a small forestland owner that planted trees under reforestation requirements may harvest the trees. Specifies that reforestation requirements apply after the trees have been harvested. Allows the State Board of Forestry to adopt rules.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to small forestland owners.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) A small forestland owner, as defined in ORS 477.748, that planted one or**  
5 **more trees on or before the effective date of this 2025 Act to comply with reforestation re-**  
6 **quirements under ORS 527.610 to 527.770 may, notwithstanding any contrary provision of**  
7 **reforestation requirements for the forestland, harvest the trees.**

8 **(2) The reforestation requirements under ORS 527.610 to 527.770 apply to the forestland**  
9 **after the trees have been harvested under subsection (1) of this section.**

10 **(3) The State Board of Forestry may adopt rules necessary to implement the provisions**  
11 **of this section.**

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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.