Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2819

- Delete lines 4 through 21 of the printed A-engrossed bill and insert:
- **"SECTION 1.** ORS 477.985 is amended to read:
- 3 "477.985. (1) As used in this section:
- "(a) 'Enforcement officer' means the State Forester or a person authorized by the State Forester.
- "(b) 'First responder' means a firefighter, a law enforcement officer or an employee of the State Forestry Department, a forest protective association or a forest protection district.
- "(2) [In addition to any other persons permitted to enforce violations, the State Forestry Department and the State Forester, or any employee specifically designated by the department or by the State Forester,] An enforcement officer may issue [citations for violations] a citation for a violation established under ORS 477.993 in the manner provided by ORS chapter 153.
- "(3) Notwithstanding ORS 153.042, an enforcement officer may issue 14 a citation for a violation as described in subsection (2) of this section 15 when the conduct alleged to constitute a violation did not take place 16 in the presence of the enforcement officer, if the enforcement officer 17 has reasonable grounds to believe that the conduct constitutes a vio-18 lation on the basis of a statement by a first responder obtained 19 through an investigation conducted under the authority of this chap-20 ter.". 21

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