

**Bill #: HB 2077** Title: Property tax extension for Low Income Housing Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: The Act would extend the property tax break for low income housing owned by a nonprofit. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Extends the sunset date for the property tax exemption for nonprofit corporation low income housing.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2078** Title: Multiunit Property Tax Extension Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: The Act would extend the property tax break for multiunit rental housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Extends the sunset date for the property tax exemption for multiunit rental housing.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2106** Title: Land, Water, Minerals Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: This Act blocks US adversaries from getting land, water or mineral rights. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Requires the Attorney General to adopt and maintain a list of foreign adversaries who are ineligible to receive conveyances of certain land, mineral or water interests. Makes unauthorized conveyances void.

**Bill #: HB 2151** Title: Seismic Risk Mitigation Fund Changes Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act adds some ways that moneys in the Seismic Risk Mitigation Fund can be spent. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.5).  
 Adds additional purposes for which moneys in the Seismic Risk Mitigation Fund may be expended.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2201** Title: Gas on the Go Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Transportation with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act allows for delivery of gas on the go. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.2).  
 Directs the State Fire Marshal to adopt standards that may be used by local governments to issue certificates for the purpose of authorizing mobile on-demand fueling.

**Bill #: HB 2241** Title: Unemployment Insurance RC Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would make the Employment Department study unemployment insurance in this state and file a report of the study with the legislature. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
 Requires the Employment Department to study unemployment insurance in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to employment no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2243** Title: Job Protected Leave Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to paid family and medical leave. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
 Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to the family and medical leave insurance program. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2249** Title: Apprenticeships RC Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act makes a task force about health care on-the-job training and career pathways. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
 [Digest: The Act makes BOLI study and report on matters relating to on-the-job training programs in this state. Tells BOLI to submit a report by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).]  
 [Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to conduct a study of matters relating to apprenticeship programs in this state. Directs the bureau to submit findings to interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 Establishes the Task Force on Health Care Apprenticeships and Career Pathways. Requires the task force to identify challenges in navigating the requirements for licensure, accreditation and apprenticeships for health care providers. Requires the task force to submit a report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to health care no later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets December 31, 2026. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2254** Title: Wages RC Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act makes laws about unpaid wages for workers who work on construction projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 Makes an owner and a direct contractor jointly and severally liable in a civil action for any unpaid wages owed to the unrepresented employees of the direct contractor and subcontractors at any tier. Provides the statute of limitations for actions regarding recovery for unpaid and overtime wages.  
 Requires subcontractors to provide certain payroll records and other information to the owner or the direct contractor, upon request. Permits the owner and the direct contractor to withhold payment to a subcontractor in certain circumstances.

**Bill #: HB 2257** Title: Funding for Housing Infrastructure Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act gives money to OBDD to give grants to cities for infrastructure projects that will contribute to building more homes. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).  
 Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Business Development Department to provide grants to specified cities to build infrastructure that will contribute to the development of housing under the program established by a 2024 Act. Extends sunsets for the program and for cities' reports on the program.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2348** Title: Economic Development Subject: Economic Development Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would make small changes to laws that deal with how certain economic development programs are run. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).  
 Adjusts certain economic development program statutes related to the administration of the programs.

**Bill #: HB 2402** Title: Administrative Rules RC Subject: General Gov Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells agencies to look at their rules and simplify them. (Flesch Readability Score: 81.8).  
 Directs every agency to review the agency's administrative rules and amend the rules to simplify the rules and eliminate redundancy.

**Bill #: HB 2415** Title: Ports RC Subject: Ports Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would let Business Oregon set the dollar cap on grants to ports from the Port Planning and Marketing Fund by rule. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.4).  
 [Digest: The Act tells DAS to do a study on ports. (Flesch Readability Score: 100.0).]  
 [Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study ports. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to ports not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
 Replaces the dollar cap on grants awarded to ports from the Port Planning and Marketing Fund with a maximum amount adopted by the Oregon Business Development Department by rule.

**Bill #: HB 2778** Title: Innovative Water Technologies Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study innovative water technologies. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. The Act gives money for the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.9).  
 Directs the Water Resources Department to study innovative water technologies. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Appropriates moneys out of the General Fund to the department for the purpose of undertaking the study.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2786** Title: Accrued Leave upon termination Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act makes laws about unused sick leave and vacation leave payouts. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.8).  
 Requires employers who provide sick leave, vacation leave or personal business leave benefits to employees to compensate employees for all earned but unused accrued leave when employment terminates.

**Bill #: HB 2787** Title: Pay for on-call Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act requires employers to pay employees for time spent on call or on standby. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.1).  
 Requires employers to compensate employees for time spent on call or on standby. Requires employers to post work schedules at least 14 days in advance, including all scheduled on-call and standby shifts.

**Bill #: HB 2790** Title: Sick leave for mental illness Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act clarifies that employees can take sick leave for a mental health condition. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 Clarifies the meaning of "mental health condition" for purposes of sick leave provisions to include leave taken to restore the employee or the employee's family member to a state of mental well-being.  
 Requires the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries to develop informational materials and training opportunities on the relationship between mental and physical health and the benefits of mental health leave.  
 Permits the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries to enter into contracts with mental health professionals to investigate retaliation complaints involving absences relating to a mental health condition. Requires the commissioner to adopt rules concerning retaliation for absences related to a mental health condition.

**Bill #: HB 2803** Title: OWRD Transaction Fees Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act increases fees related to water. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8).  
 Increases certain fees related to water.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2820** Title: Compensation Ratios in contracting Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: Tells a public agency not to take an offer for a public contract from a not-for-profit company if the person who earns the most money at the company earns more than 50 times as much as the person who earns the least money. Takes effect on the 91st day after the session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.2).  
 Provides that a contracting agency may not accept a bid or proposal for a public contract from a covered entity for which the ratio between highest amount of total compensation and lowest amount of total compensation that the covered entity pays employees of the covered entity exceeds 50 to 1.  
 Requires a contracting agency to disclose the prohibition in an advertisement or solicitation for the public contract and provide in the public contract that a failure to comply subjects the covered entity to a termination of the public contract and debarment or disqualification, as appropriate.  
 Becomes operative on January 1, 2026.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2825**      Title: Veterans Preference in hiring      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act updates the laws about how public employers should give priority to veterans when hiring for jobs. If they choose not to hire a veteran, they have to write down their reasons in certain situations. If a veteran or disabled veteran thinks they were treated unfairly, they must first try to solve the problem with BOLI before they can take action. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3).

Modifies law regarding the requirement that a public employer grant preference to a veteran or disabled veteran in the selection process for a civil service position. Requires evidence of eligibility and disability to be provided at the time of application. Sets forth processes for granting one or more preferences.

Allows a public employer to exercise discretion not to appoint a qualified veteran or disabled veteran to a civil service position based solely on the veteran's or disabled veteran's merits or qualification in the final stage of the selection process. Requires a public employer to provide written reasons for not appointing a veteran or disabled veteran to a position under certain circumstances.

Requires an aggrieved veteran or disabled veteran to exhaust nonjudicial remedies with the Bureau of Labor and Industries before filing a civil action for an unlawful employment practice.

**Bill #: HB 2852**      Title: Preference in Contracting      Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells state agencies to try to contract with bidders who agree to help with emergency readiness. The Act tells ODEM to start a program to certify such bidders. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.7).

Directs contracting agencies to give preference to a bidder or proposer who is certified by the Oregon Department of Emergency Management as an emergency preparedness partner.

Directs the department to establish a program for certification of business organizations as emergency preparedness partners. Provides that organizations shall be certified if a minimum number of individuals in the organization complete the required training and meet other requirements.

**Bill #: HB 2938**      Title: Wages upon termination      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act would make changes to laws regarding penalty wages. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).

Permits a collective bargaining agreement to prescribe due dates for the payment of wages upon termination that do not require interpretation. Provides that penalty wages may be imposed against employers who fail to pay such wages by the prescribed due date.

**Bill #: HB 2950**      Title: Citizen Involvement      Subject: Land Use  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act makes LCDC update land use goals on public process and makes DLCD suggest changes to how goals are updated. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).

Requires the Land Conservation and Development Commission to update the statewide land use planning goal relating to "citizen involvement" by rule by [June 30, 2027] June 30, 2029. Requires the advisory committee appointed by the Department of Land Conservation and Development to provide the commission with draft recommendations by June 30, 2027.

Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to make recommendations by December 31, 2026, relating to the goal amendment process to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly [relating] related to land use.

Establishes the Public Involvement Goal Update Fund. Appropriates moneys to the department for deposit into the fund.

Sunset January 2, 2030.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2976**      Title: State Financial Admin RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to DAS to give to a group for indigenous languages. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).

[Digest: The Act gives money to DAS to give to groups for indigenous languages. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).]

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to a nonprofit [groups] group for purposes related to interpretation of indigenous languages.

Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

Bill #: [HB 2977](#) Title: Transient Lodging Taxes for wildlife

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act increases a tax on short-term lodging. The Act changes the name of a subaccount related to wildlife. The Act says that moneys from the increase in the tax must be put in a subaccount. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.1).  
Increases the state transient lodging tax. Changes the name of the Oregon Conservation Strategy Subaccount to the Recovering Oregon's Wildlife Fund Subaccount. Transfers moneys attributable to the increase of the state transient lodging tax to the Recovering Oregon's Wildlife Fund Subaccount.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 3528](#) Title: State Financial Admin RC

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to HECC to give out for water-related research and grants. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to the University of Oregon and Portland State University for water-related research and grants.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 2006](#) Title: Bill Limits

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act limits the number of measure requests that may be made of LC during long regular sessions to stated numbers. The Act sets forth exceptions to those limits. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.5).  
Limits to 25 the number of legislative measures that a member of the Legislative Assembly may ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year. Limits to 15 the number of legislative measures that a committee of the Legislative Assembly may ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year. Provides exceptions.  
Limits to 400 the number of legislative measures that the Governor and state agencies under the authority of the Governor may ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year. Provides exceptions. Limits to 25 the number of legislative measures that other statewide elected officials may ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year. Limits to 100 the number of legislative measures that the Judicial Department may ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year.

Bill #: [HB 2020](#) Title: QRF

Subject: Public Contracting  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: Says that a company that gives work to people with disabilities must use people with disabilities for at least 50 percent of the work hours that go into making goods or doing services. Says what must happen if a public agency ends a contract for goods or services and a new company takes over. Says that the new contract must have a health plan as good as or better than the health plan in the old contract. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.3).  
[Digest: Says that a company that gives work to people with disabilities must use people with disabilities for at least 50 percent of the work hours that go into making goods or doing services. Says what must happen if a public agency ends a contract for goods or services and a new company takes over. Says that the new contract must have a health plan as good as or better than the health plan in the old contract. Says the new contract can do this by joining a labor union's health plan or giving benefits as good as those in the Oregon Health Plan. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.0).]  
Requires that qualified nonprofit agencies for individuals with disabilities employ individuals with disabilities for not less than 50 percent of the work hours of direct labor required for manufacturing or providing products or services.  
Requires that a service provider that enters into a contract with a public agency to provide goods or services after the public agency terminated or declined to renew a previous contract with a different service provider must reimburse individuals with disabilities who were employed under the previous contract for amounts the individuals with disabilities paid for continuation coverage and must in the new contract provide health benefits that are as favorable as, or more favorable than, the health benefits available under the previous contract. [Permits the successor service provider to provide health benefits through enrollment in a health plan that a labor organization maintains or to provide health benefits that are as favorable as, or more favorable than, the benefits available under the Oregon Health Plan.] Requires the new contract to provide the health benefits at the first opportunity in which employee enrollment in the new employer's benefit plan becomes available, but not later than one year after the effective date of the new contract.  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to confirm that a public agency or qualified nonprofit agency for individuals with disabilities has included the provisions required in the Act in any new contract with a successor service provider. Permits the department to require amendment of the new contract to incorporate the required provisions and to impose a civil penalty of not more than \$500 for each day in which the parties to the new contract fail to incorporate the required provisions.

**Bill #: HB 2043**      Title: State Financial Admin RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act gives money to DAS to grant to Oasis of Praise for real property. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.4).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to Oasis of Praise International Ministries to acquire, renovate and rehabilitate real property.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2054**      Title: Farmland to wetlands      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: This Act says that projects that convert farmland to wetlands must be approved by a local government. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 Requires local government approval of a project to create, enhance or restore wetlands if the project would convert lands used for agricultural purposes to wetlands.

**Bill #: HB 2071**      Title: Blockchain      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act gives certain rights about certain acts related to blockchains. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).  
 Prohibits state and local governments from restricting certain activities related to blockchain protocols and digital assets.  
 Prohibits state and local governments from imposing charges on digital assets used as a method of payment.  
 Exempts certain activities related to blockchain protocols and digital assets from the Oregon Money Transmitters Act.

**Bill #: HB 2074**      Title: Vertical Housing Sunset Extension      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: The Act would extend the partial tax break for vertical housing projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
 Extends the sunset date for the partial property tax exemption for the property of vertical housing development projects.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2075**      Title: Brownfield Property Tax Sunset      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Informational Meeting held.

Digest: The Act would extend the sunset of certain property tax breaks for brownfields. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
 Extends the sunset for the property tax incentive benefit programs for brownfields and property on brownfields.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2079**      Title: Property Tax Study      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would require a study of the property tax system in this state. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.3).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the property tax system in this state. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2080**      Title: Revenue RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Revenue with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would require a study of revenue in this state. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study revenue in this state. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2081** Title: State Finance RC Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Third reading. Carried by Grayber. Passed.

Digest: The Act requires the OIC and the State Treasurer to take actions to manage climate risks to the PERS fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).  
 [Digest: The Act directs the LRO to study the state financial system. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).]  
 [Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the state financial system. Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2026.]  
 Directs the Oregon Investment Council and the State Treasurer to take certain actions to manage the risks of climate change to the Public Employees Retirement Fund.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2082** Title: A&T Funding Study Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Revenue with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would have the Legislative Revenue Officer look at the best ways to fund property assessment and taxation in this state. The Act would require a report to be turned in that recommends changes to the laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).

Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the funding of the assessment and taxation functions of the property tax system in Oregon. Directs the officer to submit a report, with recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2025.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2083** Title: Tax Statute Inflation Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would require a study of whether a single law for making adjustments for inflation in the tax laws of this state would be feasible and useful. The Act would require a report of the study to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the feasibility and utility of enacting a single statute that uniformly governs adjustments for inflation in the tax statutes of this state. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2084** Title: Tax Compliance Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Says that people who get public contracts must obey the tax laws of the state, cities and counties and must show proof of compliance with the tax laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.6).  
 Requires public contractors to demonstrate and maintain tax compliance as a condition of the execution of a public contract.  
 Applies to public contracts executed on or after the effective date of the Act.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2086** Title: Tax Expenditures Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Revenue with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act directs the LRO to study tax expenditures. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study tax expenditures. Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2088** Title: E Levy Foreclosure Fix Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would set up a means for the former owners of foreclosed real property to get the surplus after the property is sold by the county. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3).  
 Provides for a process by which former owners of real property deeded to the county for delinquent property taxes may claim the surplus value after the property has been disposed of by the county.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2089** Title: E Levy Foreclosure Fix Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act would set up a means for the former owners of foreclosed real property to get the surplus after the property is sold by the county. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3).  
 Provides for a process by which former owners of real property deeded to the county for delinquent property taxes may claim the surplus value after the property has been disposed of by the county.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2095** Title: Revenue RC Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act makes a fix to the tax credit for semiconductor research. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
 Modifies the tax credit for research conducted by a semiconductor company. Omits an obsolete provision concerning the election of alternative incremental credit under related federal law.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2096** Title: E Levy Foreclosure Fix Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act would set up a means for the former owners of foreclosed real property to get the surplus after the property is sold by the county. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3).  
 Provides for a process by which former owners of real property deeded to the county for delinquent property taxes may claim the surplus value after the property has been disposed of by the county.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2124** Title: Land Value Tax Study Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Revenue.  
 Digest: The Act would require a study of land value taxation. The Act would define "land value taxation" to mean a tax imposed at a higher rate on land than on improvements on the land. The Act would require a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.2).  
 Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to study land value taxation and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue. Defines "land value taxation" to mean a property tax system that imposes a higher uniform rate of tax on land assessments than on improvement assessments.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2125** Title: Unemployment Benefits Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Work Session scheduled.  
 Digest: The Act would let the unpaid first week of an unemployment claim be waived for a worker who is away from work due to a severe weather emergency. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
 Authorizes the Director of the Employment Department to waive the unpaid waiting week period for unemployment insurance claimants who are unable to perform services due a state-declared emergency related to severe weather.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2138** Title: Middle Housing and Infill Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.  
 Digest: This Act allows for denser home building in cities and requires the LCDC to adopt rules. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Expands allowable middle housing and expands middle housing requirements to include urban unincorporated lands. Expands allowable single room occupancies. Establishes dates by which local governments must implement changes.  
 Makes retroactive the prohibition on private restrictions, including restrictions in governing documents of planned communities, that would limit middle housing, accessory dwelling units or housing density. Becomes operative January 1, 2027.  
 [Limits a local government's ability to reduce density requirements or allowances within urban growth boundaries.]  
 Reforms expedited land division provisions and makes such divisions land use decisions that are exempt from hearing requirements and appeals by opponents.  
 Allows for plats that consolidate a land division and a middle housing land division and requires review within 120 days.  
 Requires the Land Conservation and Development Commission to adopt rules by January 1, 2028, to promote housing development and implement various provisions of this Act.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.



**Bill #: HB 2139** Title: Relating Clause Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: This Act makes OHCS provide grants to Indian tribes for housing and homelessness. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4). [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to [study housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.] provide grants to eligible, federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon to address housing and homelessness prevention within the tribal community.  
Establishes the Tribal Housing Grant Fund for such purposes.  
Appropriates moneys to the fund.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2153** Title: Jet Fuel Tax Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: M Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would raise and index the tax rate on fuel used in aircraft with turbine engines. (Flesch Readability Score: 85.0).  
Increases the tax on aircraft fuel usable in aircraft operated by turbine engines and adjusts the rate biennially according to any increase in the Consumer Price Index.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2155** Title: Transportation RC Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2156** Title: Transportation RC Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2157** Title: Transpo Funding RC Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study ways to fund the transportation system in this state. The Act says ODOT must report to the JCT. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.4).  
Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to transportation funding and present the results of the study to the Joint Committee on Transportation.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2158** Title: Transpo Funding RC Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study ways to fund the transportation system in this state. The Act says ODOT must report to the JCT. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.4).  
Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to transportation funding and present the results of the study to the Joint Committee on Transportation.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2159** Title: Transportation RC Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2160** Title: Transportation RC

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2165** Title: OWRD Financial Administration

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to WRD for the well construction and compliance program. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Water Resources Department for costs related to well construction and compliance.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2167** Title: State Financial Admin RC

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to HECC to give to OSU for veterinary programs. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to Oregon State University for [veterinary programs] the Oregon Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2168** Title: Rural Water Supplies

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells an entity to create a program for helping households that rely on water wells or septic systems. The Act gives money for other purposes related to water wells and septic systems. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.0).  
Instructs the Oregon State University Extension Service to establish a program for providing assistance to households that rely on wells for drinking water or on septic systems for wastewater treatment.  
Appropriates moneys to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission out of the General Fund for distribution to the extension service for implementing the program.  
Appropriates moneys to the Water Resources Department out of the General Fund for deposit into the Water Well Abandonment, Repair and Replacement Fund.  
Appropriates moneys to the Department of Environmental Quality out of the General Fund for the septic system low-interest loan programs.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2169** Title: Water Reuse

Subject: Wastewater  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act sets state policy on water reuse and tells DEQ to make a water reuse team. (Flesch Readability Score: 85.1).  
[Digest: This Act sets a state policy on water reuse and tells DEQ and OWRD to make a water reuse team. (Flesch Readability Score: 85.0).]  
Establishes state policy on water reuse. Directs the Department of Environmental Quality [and the Water Resources Department] to establish an interagency water reuse [development] team.  
[Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.]  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2170** Title: Invasive Species

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act lets agencies work with others to inspect boats for harmful animals and plants. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).  
Authorizes the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, the State Marine Board or the State Department of Agriculture to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with a tribal government, local government or a local service district to perform aquatic invasive species inspections at check stations.

**Bill #: HB 2178** Title: Standing in Land Use Appeals

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: The Act limits LUBA appeals to locals. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.7).  
Limits standing in appeals made to the Land Use Board of Appeals to those who reside or maintain a business in or within 25 miles of the boundary of the local government or special district and who have appeared before the decision maker in person at a hearing if available.

**Bill #: HB 2184** Title: Hood River White Salmon Bridge Funding Subject: Transportation  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells the State Treasurer to issue bonds over two biennia to fund a new bridge. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.1). Directs the State Treasurer to issue general obligation bonds for the Hood River-White Salmon Bridge replacement project in the biennia beginning July 1, 2025, and July 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2188** Title: Repeal of Family Medical Leave Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act repeals laws that required paid family leave benefits. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). Repeals provisions of the paid family and medical leave insurance program.

**Bill #: HB 2192** Title: Personal Information with Public Bodies Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: Makes a public body that gets and keeps a person's data to get and keep the person's status as an immigrant or citizen. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1). Requires each public body that collects and maintains personal information about individuals to collect and maintain information on each individual's immigration or citizenship status. Directs the State Chief Information Officer and the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to adopt rules on uniform standards and procedures for compiling and maintaining the information. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2240** Title: Work Comp RC Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would make DCBS study workers' comp in this state and file a report of the study with the legislature. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.6). Requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services to study workers' compensation in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to labor no later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2242** Title: Employment RC Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to employment. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.2). Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to employment. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2244** Title: Workplace Safety Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act tells DCBS to study issues relating to workplace safety. The Act tells DCBS to submit a report by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1). Requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services to study issues relating to workplace safety. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2246** Title: Employment Department RC Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would make the Employment Department study how UI law is carried out in this state and file a report of the study with the legislature. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3). Requires the Employment Department to study the implementation of unemployment insurance law in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to employment no later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2247** Title: Employment Standards RC

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to employment standards. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.0).  
Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to employment standards. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2248** Title: BOLI RC

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act makes new laws with respect to BOLI. The Act takes effect 91 days after adjournment sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 81.4).  
[Digest: The Act tells BOLI to study matters related to the laws that BOLI enforces. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).]  
[Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study matters relating to laws over which the bureau has enforcement authority. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.]  
[Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
Establishes the Employer Assistance Division within the Bureau of Labor and Industries.  
Provides that discussion communications made in the course of or in connection with a discussion between an employer and the Employer Assistance Division are confidential. Provides exceptions to the confidentiality requirement.  
Prohibits the bureau from imposing a penalty on an employer that proves the employer's reliance on discussion communications in taking any good faith action.  
Permits the bureau to issue advisory opinions in certain circumstances.  
Permits the bureau to enter into interagency agreements with state agencies to receive certain business information.  
Permits the bureau to enter into a settlement with respect to any violation of a provision of law over which the bureau has jurisdiction.  
Provides that the bureau may settle a matter through conference, mediation, conciliation, persuasion or other alternative dispute resolution processes.  
Establishes confidentiality requirements for communications made during the course of or in connection with settlement discussions held through the bureau's alternative dispute resolution processes.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2256** Title: Land Sales

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Carried over to 05-05 by unanimous consent.

Digest: This Act limits risk from selling unlawful units of land to protect nature. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.7).  
Exempts the seller and [the nonprofit purchaser of] a nonprofit, public body or tribe that purchases property for conservation purposes from civil or criminal liability for selling certain units of land not lawfully established. Cancels exception for a purchaser who resells the land to the private market within five years of the land being deeded for conservation purposes.

**Bill #: HB 2258** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housinbg  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: This Act lets LCDC and DCBS preapprove housing plans. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
[Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
[Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.]  
Authorizes the Land Conservation and Development Commission to adopt rules requiring local governments to approve certain land use applications for residential developments using building plans preapproved by the Department of Consumer and Business Services. Requires adoption of initial rules by January 1, 2027.  
Authorizes the Department of Consumer and Business Services to develop a process to preapprove residential building plans.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2259** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2260** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2261** Title: Homelessness RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: This Act requires the OHCS to study homelessness. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study homelessness and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2262** Title: Homelessness RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: This Act requires the OHCS to study homelessness. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study homelessness and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2263** Title: Homelessness RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: This Act requires the OHCS to study homelessness. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study homelessness and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2264** Title: Homeownership RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: This Act requires OHCS to study home ownership. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study homeownership and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2267** Title: Housing Development RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: This Act requires the OHCS to study the development of housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing development and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2271** Title: Employer Tax Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Informational Meeting scheduled.

Digest: The Act would give a credit against UI taxes to employers whose rate for 2025 is less than their rate for the prior year by at least three percentage points. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). Provides a credit against an employer's unemployment insurance taxes for calendar years 2025, 2026 and 2027 if the employer's tax rate for calendar year 2025 is at least three percentage points less than the employer's tax rate for calendar year 2024.

**Bill #: HB 2273** Title: Telecom Study Subject: Technology Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: Makes the OBDD do a study on telecommunications. Makes the OBDD submit a report on its findings. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8). Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study telecommunications. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2274** Title: OBDD RC Subject: Economic Development  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act would stop the use by the state business agency of the dba name "Business Oregon." (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
[Digest: The Act would have Business Oregon study its role in economic development. The Act would require a report of the study to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).]  
[Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study its role in economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.]  
[Sunsets January 2, 2027.]  
Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to discontinue doing business under the name "Business Oregon."

**Bill #: HB 2275** Title: OBDD RC Subject: Economic Development  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: The Act would have Business Oregon study its role in economic development. The Act would require a report of the study to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).  
Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study its role in economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2279** Title: Utilities RC Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: Makes the OBDD do a study on utilities and submit a report on its findings. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).  
Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study utilities. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2288** Title: Clean Technology RC Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: This Act requires the DEQ to study and make a report on clean technology. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study clean technology. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2291** Title: Economic Development RC Subject: Economic Development  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act would set up a grant program for organizers of festivals and other public events at Tom McCall Waterfront Park in Portland. The Act would fund a study of options for the operation and maintenance of the park that will improve the livability and economy in the city and the state. The Act would require a report of the study to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.4).  
[Digest: The Act would require a study of economic development in this state with a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).]  
[Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.]  
[Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
Appropriates moneys to establish a revolving grant program for organizers of festivals and other public events at Tom McCall Waterfront Park in Portland. Funds a collaborative study by the Institute of Portland Metropolitan Studies at Portland State University of options for the long-term, cost-effective operation and maintenance of Tom McCall Waterfront Park that will improve Portland's and Oregon's livability and economy. Requires the institute to submit a report to, among others, the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2295** Title: Recreational Immunity Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: This Act amends laws shielding land owners from lawsuits by outdoor visitors. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Amends landowner immunity provisions to focus on the activities and outdoor location of injured users and not the users' intended purposes.

**Bill #: HB 2316** Title: Lands for housing Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Revenue by order of Speaker and then Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act allows DAS to designate certain state and local lands within UGBs as home start lands for low cost housing. Home start lands are exempt from certain land use laws and exempt from property taxes for up to five years. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.7).  
 [Digest: This Act allows DAS to designate state lands for homes for sale to first-time home owners and OHCS to designate locally identified land for homes for sale to lower income home owners. Designated lands are exempt from land use laws and, for five years, exempt from tax based on the value of the land. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.9)]  
 Allows designation by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services of certain state-owned and locally nominated lands within an urban growth boundary as home start lands to be used for affordable housing. Exempts home start lands from [statewide] local land use laws. [Requires that the Home Start Lands designated by the Housing and Community Services Department be used for affordable housing. Requires that the Home Start Lands designated by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services be developed for housing by the department and sold to first-time home buyers under a lottery-based prioritization system.]  
 Allows the department to transfer state-owned home start lands to a developer exempted from ordinary transfer processes once the lands are subject to an affordable housing covenant.  
 Establishes the Home Start Lands Fund to implement the program and to provide loans and grants to develop affordable housing on home start lands. Allows the department to collaborate with the Housing Accountability and Production Office and requires collaboration with the Department of State Lands to implement the program.  
 Exempts [dwellings created on] home start lands from property tax assessments [on the value of the land] for a period of up to five years [following the sale to a homeowner] under certain conditions. [Applies to property tax years beginning July 1, 2028, and before July 1, 2034.].

**Bill #: HB 2321** Title: BM 5 & 50 Taskforce Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.8).  
 Establishes the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. Requires the task force to study the disparate impacts, if any, of the ballot measures on historically disadvantaged communities and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to taxation no later than December 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets the task force January 2, 2027.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2322** Title: Economic Development RC Subject: Economic Development  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act would let state CHIPS Fund grants be awarded to firms that could get federal semiconductor financial assistance under the CHIPS Act but have not applied for it. The Act would expand the kinds of businesses that may receive state CHIPS Fund grants. The Act would rename the CHIPS Fund as the Oregon Fostering Innovation Strength at Home and CHIPS Fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.4).  
 [Digest: The Act would require a study of economic development in this state with a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).]  
 [Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.]  
 [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
 Authorizes state CHIPS Fund grants and loans to businesses that are eligible for federal semiconductor financial assistance under the CHIPS Act but have not applied for it. Expands the kinds of businesses that may receive state CHIPS Fund grants and loans. Renames the CHIPS Fund as the Oregon Fostering Innovation Strength at Home and CHIPS Fund.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2325** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).  
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2326** Title: Industrial Site Readiness Subject: Economic Development  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: The Act would require a study of industrial site readiness in this state with a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.1).  
 Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study industrial site readiness in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 2327](#)      **Title:** Industrial Site Readiness      **Subject:** Economic Development  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

**Digest:** The Act would require a study of industrial site readiness in this state with a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.1).  
 Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study industrial site readiness in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 2333](#)      **Title:** BM 5 & 50 Taskforce      **Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act creates the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.8).  
 Establishes the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. Requires the task force to study the impacts of the ballot measures on local governments and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to taxation no later than December 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets the task force January 2, 2027.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 2334](#)      **Title:** BM 5 & 50 Taskforce      **Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act creates the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.8).  
 Establishes the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. Requires the task force to study the impacts of the ballot measures on the cost of public higher education and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to taxation no later than December 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets the task force January 2, 2027.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 2335](#)      **Title:** BM 5 & 50 Taskforce      **Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act creates the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.8).  
 Establishes the Task Force on Impacts of Ballot Measures 5 and 50. Requires the task force to study the past and future impacts of the ballot measures on small and large taxing jurisdictions and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to taxation no later than December 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets the task force January 2, 2027.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 2337](#)      **Title:** Preference in Contracting      **Subject:** Public Contracting  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

**Digest:** Tells a state agency to set up an effort to help small businesses compete for public contracts and says what the effort must do. Tells the agency to report the results of the effort to lawmakers. Tells the agency to plan for how to respond to the state's 2023 disparity study. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Directs the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to establish a small business preferences program for state procurement. Specifies minimum requirements for the program and powers that the department has to implement the program. Requires the department to report to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly on the implementation of the program. Requires the department to plan for and implement a response to the recommendations of the state's 2023 disparity study with respect to public procurement.  
 Sunsets the program on December 31, 2031.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 2349](#)      **Title:** Industrial Land      **Subject:** Land Use  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act would allow the state to aid sponsors with the financing of industrial land projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
 Authorizes the Oregon Business Development Department to provide financial assistance to projects related to industrial land.  
 Establishes the Industrial Site Loan Fund in the State Treasury.



**Bill #:** [HB 2355](#)      **Title:** District Annexations

**Subject:** Land Use  
**Position:**

**Staff:** ML

**Status:** Public Hearing scheduled.

**Digest:** The Act would let more than one parcel of land be included in an annexation petition that does not require an election. The Act would make it so that a public hearing is not needed for a petition signed by a majority of the electors who live on the land to be annexed. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.2).

Provides that more than one parcel of land may be included in a petition for annexation to a district that does not require an election. Provides that a petition that is signed by a majority of the electors residing on the land to be annexed does not require a public hearing.

**Bill #:** [HB 2356](#)      **Title:** Metro UGB

**Subject:** Land Use  
**Position:**

**Staff:** ML

**Status:** Work Session held.

**Digest:** Adds lands that are inside Metro's UGB to Metro district upon adding to a Metro city. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6). Adds lands to a metropolitan service district when those lands are within Metro's urban growth boundary and annexed by a city in Metro.

**Bill #:** [HB 2377](#)      **Title:** Ports RC

**Subject:** Ports  
**Position:**

**Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Transportation.

**Digest:** The Act would require a study of the economic development of ports in Oregon. The Act would require a report to be submitted next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).

Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study the economic development of ports in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.

Sunset January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 2383](#)      **Title:** Transit District Security Officers

**Subject:** General Gov  
**Position:**

**Staff:** ML

**Status:** Public Hearing scheduled.

**Digest:** The Act defines "transit security officers." The Act says the officers may give tickets to folks who do not follow mass transit district's rules. The Act says the officers may use body cameras to record when they are on the job. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.1).

Authorizes the general manager of a mass transit district to appoint transit security officers to aid in the enforcement of mass transit ordinances. Defines "transit security officer."

Provides that a transit security officer may wear a video camera on the person's body that records the officer's interactions with members of the public while the officer is on duty. Expands public records exemption for law enforcement officers of video recordings resulting from the operation of a video camera worn upon the officer's person to include transit security officers.

**Bill #:** [HB 2388](#)      **Title:** Easements

**Subject:** Land Use  
**Position:**

**Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

**Digest:** This Act allows land owners to create easements for themselves over their own land. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).

Allows for the creation of an easement over an owner's property for the benefit of the owner by declaration of the owner. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #:** [HB 2394](#)      **Title:** Volunteer Firefighter Tax Credit

**Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**

**Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Revenue.

**Digest:** The Act makes a new tax credit for volunteer firefighters. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).

Establishes an income tax credit for volunteer firefighters.

Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, and before January 1, 2032.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 2403](#) Title: Predator Damage Control Districts

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Revenue by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act would let owners of land form a district in order to pay the costs to the county of staving off damage to their land caused by predators, by both nonlethal and lethal means. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
Authorizes landowners who meet certain criteria to petition for formation of a predator damage control district as a funding mechanism to pay the actual costs to the county of preventing, reducing and mitigating damage to property from predatory animals. Defines "prevent, reduce and mitigate damage to property from predatory animals" to include both nonlethal and lethal methods of prevention, reduction and mitigation. Establishes presumptive charges of \$2 per acre for tax lots of 10 or more acres and a \$50 flat rate charge for tax lots of less than 10 acres. Creates a cause of action under the district program for counties, landowners, districts and cities involved in the program.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 2409](#) Title: Stewardship of Natural Resources

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to create a pilot program for local stewardship of natural resources. The Act gives money for the program. The Act ends the program on January 2, 2031. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.1).  
Directs the Office of Outdoor Recreation to establish a rural community and land stewardship technical assistance and planning pilot program.  
Appropriates moneys out of the General Fund for the program.  
Sunssets the program on January 2, 2031.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 2411](#) Title: Industrial Land

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act would allow the state to aid sponsors with the financing of industrial land projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
Authorizes the Oregon Business Development Department to provide financial assistance to projects related to industrial land. Establishes the Industrial Site Loan Fund in the State Treasury. Allocates lottery funds for deposit in the fund for the purpose of funding financial assistance to industrial land projects.

Bill #: [HB 2414](#) Title: Permitting RC

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

Digest: This Act requires the DLCDC to study permitting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to study permitting and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.

Bill #: [HB 2422](#) Title: Residential Rural Use of Lands

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: This Act allow allows denser housing to be considered a rural use. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Requires that lands zoned to allow density of one or fewer dwellings per acre to be considered a rural use. Allows counties to rezone rural lands accordingly if the land is currently zoned for up to one dwelling per 2.5 acres.

**Bill #: HB 2425**      Title: Forced Labor      Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: Sets up a task force to look at who is supplying the goods and services that public bodies in this state buy and to make sure that the products don't involve forced labor or child labor. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.8).  
 [Digest: Tells a public body that buys electric cars or solar panels that it needs proof from the vendor that no forced labor was used in producing the car or panel. Specifies penalties for lying about the proof. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.8).]  
 [Requires public bodies that procure electric vehicles and solar photovoltaic energy systems to receive before entering a contract for the electric vehicle or solar photovoltaic energy system a certification from the manufacturer, distributor, vendor or supplier that the production, assembly, transportation or sale of the electric vehicle or solar photovoltaic energy system did not use or involve forced labor or oppressive child labor. Requires probative evidence to accompany the certification.]  
 [Provides that a person that supplies a certification that is false, materially misleading, illegitimate, untruthful, forged or substantially inaccurate is liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 or half of the price the public body paid for the electric vehicle or solar photovoltaic energy system. Subjects the public body to similar penalties for knowingly or intentionally accepting a certification that the public body knows is false, materially misleading, illegitimate, untruthful, forged or substantially inaccurate.]  
 [Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.]  
 Establishes the Task Force on Ethical Procurement with 11 members appointed by the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Governor. Requires the task force to devise methods for verifying the identities of manufacturers, distributors, vendors or suppliers of products that public bodies procure in this state and ensuring that the public bodies do not procure products for which production, assembly, transportation or sale used or involved forced labor or oppressive child labor. Specifies methods by which the task force may carry out the task force's purpose.  
 Sunsets on December 31, 2026.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2428**      Title: Information held by Public Bodies      Subject: Public Records  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act says that a public body may not keep some data about a person without the person's consent. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).  
 Provides that a public body may not collect certain information about a person's views, associations or activities without consent.

**Bill #: HB 2432**      Title: Homeless and Public Property      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act would repeal the law that set a state standard for city and county laws that govern the use of public property by the homeless. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).  
 Repeals the statute enacted by House Bill 3115 (2021) that established objective reasonableness as a statewide standard for city and county laws regulating the use of public property with respect to persons experiencing homelessness, as the basis for a cause of action for injunctive and declaratory relief to challenge such laws and as an affirmative defense in the prosecution of violations of such laws.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2433**      Title: Treatment of People      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act says that the government may not treat people in different ways in jobs, schools or public contracts on the grounds of race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin. The Act makes some exceptions. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).  
 Provides that a public body may not discriminate against, or grant preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education or public contracting.  
 Provides certain exceptions.

**Bill #: HB 2445**      Title: Homeless Camps      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act would restore the prior version of the law for the removal of homeless camps that was on the books before recent changes. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6).  
 Repeals the changes made by House Bill 3124 (2021) to the statutes governing local removal of homeless individuals from established camping sites.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2447**      Title: Boat Safety      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: The Act tells the State Marine Board to study boat safety. The Act tells the board to make a report on the results of the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 86.2).  
 Requires the State Marine Board to study issues related to the safe operation of motorboats. Directs the board to submit findings to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2477**      Title: Boats RC      Subject: Ports  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study rules related to animals. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.2).  
 Directs the State Department of Agriculture to study rules related to animals. Directs the department to report to the committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2515**      Title: Public Body Fund Pools      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act allows public bodies to agree to create pools of funds or proceeds to invest without help from the State Treasurer and the OIC. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.4).  
 Authorizes public bodies to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to pool bond proceeds or other funds into commonly managed investments without the oversight of the State Treasurer and the Oregon Investment Council.

**Bill #: HB 2519**      Title: Public Utilities Homeland Security      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: Tells ODEM to give grants to consumer-owned utilities to build projects in response to natural disasters. Creates a commission and fund for the grant program. Allows for the use of moneys from lottery bonds. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.9).  
 Establishes the Oregon Public Utility Homeland Security Commission in the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.  
 Establishes the Oregon Public Utility Homeland Security Fund.  
 Establishes a grant program for the purpose of providing financial assistance to consumer-owned utilities for developing projects associated with mitigating damage resulting from natural disasters or responding to or recovering from natural disasters.  
 Authorizes the issuance of lottery bonds to finance projects associated with mitigating damage resulting from natural disasters or responding to or recovering from natural disasters.

**Bill #: HB 2526**      Title: Emergency Volunteer tax credits      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Revenue.

Digest: The Act makes a new tax credit for volunteer firefighters. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 Grants income tax credit to firefighters and other registered individuals who provide volunteer services, including services to rural fire protection districts or fire departments.  
 Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, and before January 1, 2032.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2533**      Title: Attorney Client Privilege      Subject: Public Records  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Extends the time that public records are exempt from release to the public when it is based on the lawyer-client privilege. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 Extends the statutory timeline for inspection of public records when the exemption is based on attorney-client privilege.

**Bill #: HB 2546**      Title: State Financial Admin RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act gives money to HECC to give to REAP, Inc., for the Young Entrepreneurs Program. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.5).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to REAP, Inc., for the Young Entrepreneurs Program.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2547** Title: Fire Safety in Public Buildings Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: Makes new rules about fire safety systems in public buildings. Sets penalties. Takes effect on the 91st day after the session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.6).  
 Requires the owner of a public building to periodically conduct inspections and testing of fire dampers, smoke dampers, combination fire and smoke dampers and smoke control systems in the public building. Specifies qualifications for inspectors. Requires an inspector to issue a certificate of compliance if the public building complies with the applicable standards or to issue a deficiency report if the public building does not comply. Specifies a time period within which the public building owner must return the public building to compliance.  
 Directs a building owner that receives public moneys for the purpose of replacing or repairing fire dampers, smoke dampers, combination fire and smoke dampers and smoke control systems to require a contractor to provide certain benefits to workers in connection with an installation or repair of equipment that fails an inspection or test or is otherwise deficient.  
 Punishes violation of the Act with a civil penalty equivalent to five cents for each square foot of occupied space in the public building. Authorizes additional civil penalties for a continuing failure to comply.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2570** Title: OSHA Inspections Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes new disclosure laws. The Act requires the director of DCBS to not disclose to the public any information that could be used to identify certain employees who take part in certain OSHA inspections. The Act creates exceptions. The Act requires the director to adopt rules and procedures for carrying out the Act. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
 Requires the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services to keep confidential and not disclose to the public any personally identifiable information of employees who provided information for or participated in investigations or inspections of places of employment. Creates exceptions to the prohibition against disclosure. Requires the director to adopt rules and establish procedures regarding confidentiality and disclosure of personally identifiable information.

**Bill #: HB 2571** Title: Retirement Plan Standards Subject: PERS  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act makes rules for people who care for public pension benefit plans. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).  
 Establishes standards for fiduciary of pension benefit plan offered by public body. Limits factors that may be considered in investment of assets of plan.

**Bill #: HB 2610** Title: Public Safety Officers RC Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act tells DPSST to look at public safety officers and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 Requires the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to study public safety officers. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2629** Title: Safety Standards RC Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act tells DPSST to study safety standards and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
 Requires the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to study safety standards. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2646** Title: Private Information Disclosure Subject: Public Records  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates a new crime about disclosing private data. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
 Creates the crime of unlawful disclosure of private information. Punishes by a maximum of six months' imprisonment, \$2,500 fine, or both.

**Bill #: HB 2647** Title: UGB Expansion for Industrial Lands Subject: Land Use  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development by order of the President.

Digest: This Act creates a process for Monmouth to amend its UGB. (Flesch Readability Score: 87.9).  
 [Digest: This Act allows a city to expand for industry. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).]  
 [Authorizes cities to bring certain lands within their urban growth boundaries for light industrial and open space uses.]  
 [Sunsets January 2, 2035.]  
 [Sunsets 2011 program under which the Economic Recovery Review Council designated regionally significant industrial areas.]  
 Establishes the process and requirements by which the City of Monmouth may amend its urban growth boundary to add up to 75 acres and to remove up to 90 acres.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2033.

**Bill #: HB 2653** Title: GEMT Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Behavioral Health and Health Care.

Digest: The Act tells OHA to study ways to get more federal funding for ground medical transport. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
 Requires the Oregon Health Authority to study options to maximize federal funding for the ground emergency medical transport program. Directs the authority to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health care not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2657** Title: Masonry on Essential Facilities Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Digest: Lets a state board set licensing standards for doing masonry work in essential buildings. Lets another board set standards for putting in fire proofing materials in essential buildings. Tells a state agency to adopt rules that say that there must be good fire proof materials in essential buildings. Takes effect on the 91st day after the session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8)  
 Permits the Building Codes Structures Board to adopt licensing standards for performing structural masonry in essential facilities.  
 Permits the Construction Contractors Board to adopt licensing standards for applying or installing fireproofing materials in essential facilities.  
 Requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services to adopt rules for adequate fireproofing in all newly constructed essential facilities. Specifies minimum provisions required in the department's rules.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2658** Title: Construction Restrictions Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act stops cities and counties from making a builder complete a project that the city or county already has plans to build. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
 Prohibits cities or counties from conditioning a permit or zoning change on the development of an improvement project that has already been financed, planned or approved.  
 Applies to cities or counties with a population of 15,000 or greater. Beginning on January 1, 2031, applies to all cities and counties.

**Bill #: HB 2661** Title: Petroleum contamination Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act creates a task force on stopping petroleum contamination and tells the task force to carry out a study. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
 Establishes the Task Force on Containment of Petroleum Contamination. Requires the task force to report its findings and recommendations to the interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation on or before December 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets the task force on December 31, 2026.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2680** Title: Glass workers on public buildings Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Says that a firm that installs, repairs or remodels glass in a public building must be properly qualified to do the work if the firm wants to get public funds for the work. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
 Requires a contractor, as a condition of receiving public funds to install, repair or remodel a fenestration product or system in a public building, to have a national certification as a glazing contractor and at least one employee that has a national certification as an architectural glass and metal technician.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2688** Title: Prevailing Wage for off-site work Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: Makes a certain wage apply to custom work done off-site but for a particular public works project. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).  
 Applies the prevailing rate of wage to certain off-site [custom] bespoke work fabricated, preconstructed, assembled or [produced] constructed in accordance with specifications for a particular public works. Specifies examples of such [custom] bespoke work.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2693** Title: Levees Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act would issue lottery bonds to fund levee projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
 Authorizes the issuance of lottery bonds for deposit in the Levee Project Grant Fund.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2694** Title: Union Rep Registry Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would require the ERB to set up a system where people can register as union representatives. The Act does not allow anyone to act as a union representative unless they are registered in the system. The Act sets fines for breaking the law. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 Requires the Employment Relations Board to establish and maintain a registry system for persons to register as union representatives. Prohibits a person from acting as a union representative unless the person is registered and enrolled in the registry system. Establishes a civil penalty for each violation.

**Bill #: HB 2696** Title: Property of Homeless Campers Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act would make clear that the laws for the storage of the personal property of the homeless apply when it is removed from a public camping site. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
 Specifies that the laws governing the storage of the personal property of homeless individuals applies to personal property removed from a public camping site.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2701** Title: Emergency Supplies Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act says that some health and public safety places have to be prepared for emergencies. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Requires health care facilities, health care providers, local public health authorities and public and private safety agencies to maintain capacity, including sufficient amounts of certain supplies, to continue in normal operation for 120 days at a 25 percent mortality rate. Defines "25 percent mortality rate." Directs the Oregon Health Authority and health professional regulatory boards to report to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management. Directs the department to report annually to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency preparedness.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2702** Title: Emergency Match Grants Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates a fund for ODEM to give funds to local governments when needed to get federal aid or for disaster grants. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 Establishes the Oregon Disaster Response Assistance Matching Fund. Provides that moneys in the fund may be used by the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to issue grants to local governments to make matching contributions necessary to access federal aid or to assist or support disaster response efforts.

**Bill #: HB 2707**      Title: Fire Safety in Public Buildings      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: Makes new rules about fire safety testing in public buildings. Sets penalties. Takes effect on the 91st day after the session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.6).  
 Requires the owner of a public building to periodically conduct inspections and testing of fire dampers, smoke dampers, combination fire and smoke dampers and smoke control systems in the public building. Specifies qualifications for inspectors. Requires an inspector to issue a certificate of compliance if the public building complies with the applicable standards or to issue a deficiency report if the public building does not comply. Specifies a time period within which the public building owner must return the public building to compliance.  
 Punishes violation of the Act with a civil penalty equivalent to five cents for each square foot of occupied space in the public building. Authorizes additional civil penalties for a continuing failure to comply.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2717**      Title: Roseburg Vets State Financial Admin RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act says that the state may issue bonds for a veterans' home in Roseburg. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).  
 Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds under Article XI-Q of the Oregon Constitution for construction of a veterans' home in Roseburg.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2725**      Title: SIP and Ports      Subject: Ports  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would limit the kind of port district that must be a party to a contract in the strategic investment program. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.2).  
 Limits the kind of port districts that are required to be involved in strategic investment program agreements with respect to eligible projects that are located in the port district's territory.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2726**      Title: Columbia Corridor Levee      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act would let lottery bonds be sold to fund flood safety projects on certain parts of the Columbia. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
 Authorizes the issuance of lottery bonds to fund Columbia corridor flood safety projects in Multnomah County.

**Bill #: HB 2728**      Title: PERS Overtime      Subject: PERS  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act tells PERS to put data about overtime in the letter sent to a retiring member of PERS. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
 Directs the Public Employees Retirement System to include information about the use of overtime hours in calculating the final average salary of a member of the system who is retiring.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2745**      Title: Payments During Investigations      Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act would set the time by which benefits would have to be paid to a worker when the employer is being investigated for not complying with workers' comp law. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Provides the timeline for payment of temporary disability compensation during an investigation of the compliance of the worker's employer with workers' compensation law.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.



**Bill #: HB 2746** Title: Pay Transparency in hiring Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act makes new laws regarding pay transparency. The Act takes effect 91 days after sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.7).  
Requires employers and employment agencies to include certain wage and benefit information in job postings for job, promotion and transfer opportunities. Requires employers to maintain certain employment records for each employee. Directs the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries to conduct proactive outreach and ongoing training to educate employers and employment agencies about the requirements. Makes a violation an unlawful practice and permits the commissioner [of the Bureau of Labor and Industries] to assess civil penalties for a violation. [Establishes circumstances under which the commissioner may dismiss a complaint about a violation.] Permits the commissioner to issue a letter of explanation or education to an employer or employment agency instead of a civil penalty for a first violation. Requires the remainder of sums collected as penalties, after application toward reimbursement of costs, to be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the General Fund. Makes it an unlawful employment practice for an employer or an employment agency to retaliate or discriminate against an employee for invoking or exercising certain rights. Makes employment agencies subject to the prohibition against inquiries regarding salary history and past criminal convictions. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2753** Title: Emergency Equipment Grant Program Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act says that the state may issue bonds for the emergency equipment grant program. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).  
Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds under Article XI-Q of the Oregon Constitution for the emergency preparedness equipment grant program. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2755** Title: HJR 8 Implementation Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would set up a task force to plan for a state body to fund public safety. The Act will take effect only if the Oregon Constitution is amended to create the state body. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.6).  
Establishes a task force to develop a plan for the Legislative Assembly to establish a statewide public safety funding authority in Oregon in accordance with House Joint Resolution 8 (2025). Takes effect only if House Joint Resolution 8 (2025) is approved by the people at the next regular general election. Takes effect on the effective date of the constitutional amendment proposed by House Joint Resolution 8 (2025).

**Bill #: HB 2765** Title: Fuel Spill Prevention Grant Program Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act tells DEQ to create a grant program to prevent fuel spills. (Flesch Readability Score: 96.0).  
Directs the Department of Environmental Quality to develop and maintain a grant program to prevent spills at fuel facilities. Establishes the Fuel Spills Mitigation Fund.

**Bill #: HB 2770** Title: Oregon Disaster Recovery Authority Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates a body to direct the state's response after an emergency. The Act lets the Governor hire more people to do work during the emergency. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.5).  
Establishes the Oregon Disaster Recovery Authority. Provides that the Governor may activate the authority when declaring a state of emergency. Directs the authority, when activated, to coordinate initial crisis services, coordinate recovery and mitigation efforts and coordinate the provision of emergency aid to local governments or private entities. Authorizes the Governor, when the authority is activated, to hire additional state agency personnel to perform duties related to the emergency.

**Bill #: HB 2772** Title: Emergency Alerting Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act gives money to counties and OPB for the emergency alert system. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Military Department for distribution to counties for the purpose of acquiring analog encoders for transmission of information to broadcasters in case of an emergency. Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for distribution to Oregon Public Broadcasting for the purpose of upgrading, repairing or replacing elements of its signal distribution system. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2776** Title: Emergency Mgmt RC Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to do a study on its operations. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
 Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study and make recommendations regarding improvements to the operations of the department. Requires the department to submit a report on its findings by January 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2782** Title: Elections RC Subject: Elections  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Tells the Secretary of State to study voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Requires the Secretary of State to study elections. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2791** Title: Disability While in Training Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act would make changes to provisions of workers' comp law that deal with the timing of a worker's claim and the worker's engagement in training. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).  
 Allows a worker to receive permanent disability payments and complete the appeal of a notice of closure while engaged in training. Allows the redetermination of a worker's permanent total disability compensation after ceasing to engage in training. Allows a worker to postpone the selection of a training program and engagement in the program until after claim closure becomes final.

**Bill #: HB 2797** Title: Port of Morrow Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act adds two people to the board of the Port of Morrow who are to be appointed by the Governor from the trade sector. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.1).  
 Adds two commissioners to the board of the Port of Morrow. Provides that the additional commissioners are appointed by the Governor from the port district at large. Requires that the additional commissioners have knowledge or experience in the trade sector.

**Bill #: HB 2799** Title: Attorney Fee Cap Removal Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would raise and index the cap for witness fees, expenses and costs for a claimant who wins in a case brought against a denial of a workers' comp claim. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.2).  
 [Digest: The Act would remove the cap on awards for the costs and attorney fees incurred by a worker in a dispute over a workers' comp claim. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.5).]  
 [Removes the cap on reasonable litigation costs and expenses and attorney fees for a claimant who prevails in a workers' compensation dispute.]  
 Raises and indexes the cap for witness fees, expenses and costs for a claimant who prevails against a denial in a workers' compensation dispute.

**Bill #: HB 2801** Title: Water Right in Klamath Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: The Act extends the time for allowing changes to certain water rights in the Upper Klamath Basin. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
 Allows the Water Resources Department to approve leases or temporary transfers of certain water rights in the Upper Klamath Basin until a court issues a final water rights decree..

**Bill #: HB 2802** Title: WCD PPD Changes Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act would change when a lump sum payment for permanent partial disability has to be made. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 [Requires] Establishes the circumstances in which an insurer is required to make a lump sum payment of a permanent partial disability award [if the worker waives reconsideration of the notice of closure or the award has become final by operation of law].

**Bill #: HB 2808**      Title: Well Fees      Subject: Water  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act increases fees related to wells. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.1).

Increases certain fees related to wells.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2819**      Title: Fire Protection Citations      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act relates to fire protection. The Act allows citations on certain bases. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.5).  
 Authorizes [persons who enforce fire protection laws] the State Forester or a person authorized by the State Forester to issue citations if there are reasonable grounds to believe violations have occurred.

**Bill #: HB 2830**      Title: Pipe Materials      Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: Makes rules for local governments about things used for water projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).  
 Prohibits a local government, local contracting agency or local contract review board from enacting, adopting or enforcing an ordinance, resolution, rule or other law that prohibits, restricts or limits the evaluation, comparison or use of pipe or piping materials for a water project if the pipe or piping materials meet current standards or performance specifications of specified organizations and if moneys appropriated from the State Treasury directly or indirectly provided funding for the water project.  
 Becomes operative on January 1, 2026.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2832**      Title: Veterans Preference Proof      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act says that veterans have to show proof that they can get special preference when they apply for government jobs. They can use any documents that show they qualify. If a public employer decides not to talk with a veteran about being hired for a job, they must write down why they made that choice. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.4).

Provides that a veteran must provide evidence of eligibility for veterans' preference in public employment at the time of application for a civil service position. Provides that evidence may include any documentation demonstrating preference eligibility.

Modifies the law relating to interviews of veterans for vacant civil service positions. Provides that a public employer that does not interview a veteran must provide a written explanation of reasons for the decision.

**Bill #: HB 2836**      Title: SEIs      Subject: Ports  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Requires the heads of nonprofits to file a SEI if the nonprofit got at least \$1 million in state funds or spoke to the legislature about getting state funds in the last five years. Requires the heads of businesses to file a SEI if the business got at least \$1 million in state funds in the last five years. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Requires a statement of economic interest to be filed by all members of the board of directors or governing body of a nonprofit that has either received or submitted testimony to the Legislative Assembly requesting \$1 million or more in state capital construction funding over the previous five years.

Requires a statement of economic interest to be filed by all members of the board of directors or governing body of any business that has received \$1 million or more in state capital construction funding over the previous five years.

**Bill #: HB 2837**      Title: Emergency Mgmt RC      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to do a study on its operations. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).

Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study and make recommendations regarding improvements to the operations of the department. Requires the department to submit a report on its findings by January 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2844**      Title: Regional Emergency Mgmt      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates new systems and structures to plan and improve emergency response in the state. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Creates statewide preparedness offices in the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. Imposes duties on the offices relating to statewide coordination of emergency management.  
 Creates the Commission on Statewide Intergovernmental Emergency Response Training Facilities and Programming. Directs the commission to develop and carry out a strategic plan for investments to improve statewide emergency preparedness.  
 Creates the Statewide Regional Training Office within the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. Directs the office to manage and operate facilities for emergency response training.  
 Creates the Task Force on Twenty-first Century Emergency Management Local Governance. Directs the task force to evaluate models for conducting local and regional emergency management operations.  
 Requires all state agencies to designate employees to act as liaisons for emergency management operations or for preparing continuity of governance plans.  
 Requires each county to submit biennial reports on the state of the county's emergency preparedness.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2853**      Title: UGB Expansion for Industrial Lands      Subject: Land Use  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: This Act replaces an old industrial siting program with a new program that allows for UGB growth. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 Authorizes cities to bring certain lands within their urban growth boundaries for light industrial and open space uses.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2037.  
 Sunsets 2011 program under which the Economic Recovery Review Council designated regionally significant industrial areas.

**Bill #: HB 2858**      Title: Regional Emergency Mgmt      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act creates new systems and structures to plan and improve emergency response in the state. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Creates statewide preparedness offices in the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. Imposes duties on the offices relating to statewide coordination of emergency management.  
 [Creates the Commission on Statewide Intergovernmental Emergency Response Training Facilities and Programming. Directs the commission to develop and carry out a strategic plan for investments to improve statewide emergency preparedness.]  
 Authorizes issuance of lottery bonds to make grants for public safety projects.  
 Creates the Statewide Regional Training Office within the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. Directs the office to manage and operate facilities for emergency response training.  
 [Creates the Task Force on Twenty-first Century Emergency Management Local Governance. Directs the task force to evaluate models for conducting local and regional emergency management operations.]  
 Requires all state agencies to designate employees to act as liaisons for emergency management operations or for preparing continuity of governance plans.  
 Requires each county to submit biennial reports on the state of the county's emergency preparedness.  
 Delays the date on which responsibility for management of the emergency notification system is transferred to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2864**      Title: Emergency Mgmt RC      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to do a study on its operations. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
 Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study and make recommendations regarding improvements to the operations of the department. Requires the department to submit a report on its findings by January 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2865**      Title: Emergency Management RC      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act gives money to certain state agencies. The Act states that the money may be spent for certain purposes related to fire protection, OrSAP and ODEM. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to specified state agencies for specified purposes related to emergency management for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2866**      Title: Voluntary Union Dues      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act makes changes to laws about collective bargaining with respect to public employees who are not members of a union. The Act would change how those employees will make payments to the union. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1). Permits employees who are not union members to voluntarily consent to make in-lieu-of-dues payment to a labor organization for the organization's representation of the nonmember employees in employment relations with a public employer. Prohibits compulsory payments to labor organizations by nonmember employees. Makes entering into an agreement that requires the nonmember employees of a labor organization to make payments to the labor organization an unfair labor practice.

**Bill #: HB 2870**      Title: Campaign Reform RC      Subject: Campaign Finance  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: Creates a panel of eight people to look into false campaign comments. Creates penalties for someone who makes false campaign comments. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.2). Creates the Oregon Campaign Review Commission to investigate complaints of false statements made by candidates or political committees. Establishes sanctions for violations of false statement law. Applies to campaigns conducted for elections held on or after January 1, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 2874**      Title: Veterans Preference in hiring      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act updates the laws about how public employers should give priority to veterans when hiring for jobs. It limits the preference to those who apply within ten years of leaving the U.S. Armed Forces. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3). Modifies law regarding the requirement that a public employer grant preference to a veteran or disabled veteran in the selection process for a civil service position. Limits eligibility for preference to a veteran who applies for a position within 10 years of discharge or release from service in the Armed Forces of the United States. Requires evidence of eligibility and disability to be provided at the time of application. Sets forth processes for granting one or more preferences. Allows a public employer to exercise discretion to not appoint a qualified veteran or disabled veteran to a civil service position based solely on the veteran's or disabled veteran's merits or qualification in the final stage of the selection process. Requires a public employer to provide written reasons for not appointing a veteran or disabled veteran to a position under certain circumstances. Requires an aggrieved veteran or disabled veteran to exhaust nonjudicial remedies with the Bureau of Labor and Industries before filing a civil action for an unlawful employment practice.

**Bill #: HB 2880**      Title: Public Transit Grants      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act allows an agency to give grants to some cities for public transit projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5). Authorizes the Oregon Business Development Department to make grants to certain small cities for the purposes of studying, developing and capitalizing public transit systems. Appropriates moneys to the department for the grant program.

**Bill #: HB 2910**      Title: Energy Efficiency      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment.

Digest: The Act would change some laws related to energy and property taxes. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). Authorizes local governments to adopt additional criteria to encourage energy efficiency and energy generation on property granted certain exemptions from ad valorem property taxation. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2914**      Title: Pipeline Security      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act creates a task force to study how to make pipelines and associated storage units secure. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1). Establishes the Task Force on Secure Pipelines and Associated Storage Units and Terminals. Directs the task force to study matters related to safe transportation, storage and transference of petroleum, natural gas and other flammable substances through pipelines, in associated storage units and at associated terminals. Directs the task force to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency preparedness no later than December 15, 2026. Sunsets December 31, 2026. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2916** Title: Fire Policy Committee Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act changes the needs for the fire instructor on the Fire Policy Committee. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Modifies the qualifications of the fire instructor representative member of the Fire Policy Committee of the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training.

**Bill #: HB 2925** Title: Ocean Shore Permitting Subject: Ports  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act changes the law for permits for some activities on the ocean shore. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.1).  
Modifies existing permitting procedures for ocean shore improvements. Authorizes the State Parks and Recreation Department to issue general authorization permits for limited activities on the ocean shore.

**Bill #: HB 2927** Title: Ethics Investigation Timelines Subject: Ethics  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Allows OGE to prolong probes into certain alleged wrongs by up to 60 days. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
Permits the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to prolong an investigation into alleged ethics law or lobbying violations by no more than 60 days.

**Bill #: HB 2928** Title: \$50 Ethics Gift Limit Subject: Ethics  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Removes the ban on offering gifts worth more than \$50 in a calendar year to certain people. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
Removes the prohibition on offering gifts in excess of \$50 per calendar year to a public official, candidate, or relative or member of the household of a public official or candidate.

**Bill #: HB 2930** Title: Conflict of Interest Subject: Ethics  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Applies the conflict of interest laws to people who live in the same house as public officials. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
Applies conflict of interest provisions to members of the household of public officials.

**Bill #: HB 2944** Title: PECBA Penalties Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes changes to the PECBA. The Act creates penalties for violating certain provisions of the PECBA. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).  
[Permits a labor organization to file a civil action against a public employer for failing to timely provide the labor organization with certain information regarding public employees.]  
Directs the Employment Relations Board to impose civil penalties against a public employer that has a history of failing [fails] to comply with certain requirements under the public employee collective bargaining act.  
Permits the board to consider extenuating circumstances when determining the amount of the civil penalty to impose.

**Bill #: HB 2947** Title: OSU PFAS Study Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act directs OSU to study PFAS in biosolids that are spread on farm fields that do not produce crops for human food. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.4).  
Directs the Oregon State University Extension Service and the College of Agricultural Sciences of Oregon State University to study the distribution and occurrence of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) found in biosolids applied to agricultural fields that do not produce crops intended for human consumption. Directs the extension service and college to submit a final report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to agriculture not later than September 1, 2028.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2949** Title: Insurance for Liquid Fuel Storage

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act makes owners of bulk oils and liquid fuels terminals show they can cover the costs of oil or fuel spills. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.6).

[Digest: This Act tells the DEQ to contract for a study about making bulk oils and liquid fuels terminal owners get bonds or insurance. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).]

[Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to contract with a third party to study and assess financial assurance requirements for owners or operators of bulk oils and liquid fuels terminals. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026.]

[Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]

Requires owners or operators of bulk oils or liquid fuels terminals to obtain a certificate of financial responsibility from the Department of Environmental Quality.

Directs the Environmental Quality Commission to establish rules pertaining to certificates of responsibility. Requires the department to report to the Legislative Assembly on the implementation of the Act each even-numbered year.

Preempts local governments from requiring financial assurance that exceeds or is in addition to the requirements of the Act.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2957** Title: Notice by BOLI

Subject: Labor  
Position: A O Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act prohibits certain contracts that shorten certain statutes of limitations. The Act sets the time limits for when BOLI must issue a notice of rights to a complainant. The Act sets the time limits for when a complainant must file a lawsuit after issuance of the notice. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.4).

Prohibits employers from entering into agreements that shorten the statute of limitations with respect to violations over which the Bureau of Labor and Industries has enforcement authority. Designates a violation of the prohibition as an unlawful employment practice.

Establishes time limits for when the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries must issue a notice of rights to complainants. Clarifies that the bureau will not issue a notice for matters that have been resolved by a settlement agreement.

Establishes time limits for filing a civil action after issuance of the notice. Makes conforming amendments.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2962** Title: Minimum Wage

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act changes laws with respect to the calculation of the minimum wage rate. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).

Provides for calculation of the minimum wage rate beginning July 1, 2026. Directs the Bureau of Labor and Industries to establish a formula by rule for setting the minimum wage rate.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 2964** Title: Predevelopment Grants for Housing

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act makes OHCS provide loans for costs of low cost housing predevelopment. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).

[Digest: This Act creates a temporary program for OHCS to award grants and loans for housing prep. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.2).]

Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to award [grants] loans for the predevelopment costs of affordable housing [and a grant to assist nonprofits receiving grants or loans under this Act. Sunsets January 2, 2028]. Requires the department to adopt initial rules by June 1, 2026, and to combine other existing predevelopment loan programs.

[Establishes the Affordable Housing Predevelopment Loan Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in the fund to the department to award loans for predevelopment costs of affordable housing.]

[Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for grants and loans.]

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2966** Title: State Bank Taskforce

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act creates a task force to study public financing options. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).

Establishes the State Public Finance Task Force. Directs the task force to study and make recommendations regarding public banking and other public financing options. Requires the task force to submit a report to a committee of the Legislative Assembly by [September 1, 2027] December 31, 2026.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2968**      Title: SDC Guarantee      Subject: Housing  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act makes OHCS guarantee a local government's collection of a fee to be paid by a home builder on a delayed schedule. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to guarantee a housing developer's payment of system development charges that the local government has agreed to defer until after occupancy. Allows the department to assess a civil penalty and interest against defaulting developers. Allows the Department of Revenue to pursue collections against developers. Becomes operative on January 1, 2026.  
 Establishes the Municipal Development Protection Fund for such purposes. Appropriates moneys to the fund.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 2969**      Title: Economic Development RC      Subject: Economic Development  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act would grant funds to the Oregon Coast Visitors Association for a project to use fish to make nonfood products. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 [Digest: The Act would require a study of economic development in this state with a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).]  
 [Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.]  
 Appropriates moneys for distribution to the Oregon Coast Visitors Association to be used to replicate the success of the 100% Fish Project of the Iceland Ocean Cluster in utilizing fish for nonfood product manufacturing.

**Bill #: HB 2973**      Title: Money for Marine Cleanup RC      Subject: Ports  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would direct the Department of State Lands to study how to fund the cleanup of the public waterways in this state. The Act would require a report of the study to be submitted next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.7).  
 Requires the Department of State Lands to study options for funding for marine cleanup. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the use of the state's public waterways no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 2979**      Title: State Financial Admin RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to DAS to give to groups to help produce and distribute food. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to various entities for food production and distribution.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2981**      Title: Aquatic Invasive Species RC      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act gives moneys to four agencies to pay for steps that concern aquatic invasive species. The Act takes effect on 7/1/2025. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 [Digest: The Act tells an agency to study aquatic invasive species. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).]  
 [Directs the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to study aquatic invasive species. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 Appropriates moneys to the Department of Environmental Quality to fund vessel inspections to minimize the risk of introducing aquatic invasive species into this state. Appropriates moneys to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to fund monitoring for aquatic invasive species in high-risk waterbodies. Appropriates moneys to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to update waterbody vulnerability assessments for aquatic invasive species. Appropriates moneys to the State Department of Agriculture to fund interagency rapid response exercises and interagency collaboration related to the detection of aquatic invasive species.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 2982**      Title: Small Watercraft Fee      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act increases some boat fees. The money raised will be put into a fund to prevent and control plants and animals that do not belong in the waters of this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.5).  
 Increases boating fees and deposits moneys into the Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Fund.  
 Provides that a waterway access permit is required while operating a nonmotorized boat of any length. Creates exceptions.



**Bill #: HB 2985** Title: Public Utility Commission RC Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act changes the laws about how the PUC conducts proceedings. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
Modifies provisions relating to the administrative proceedings of the Public Utility Commission.

**Bill #: HB 2986** Title: Irrigation District Patrons Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: The Act tells irrigation districts that if a user requests less water for a season, the user's district must comply with the request. The Act says that the district may send the extra water to other users. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.5).  
Provides that an irrigation district that receives a request from a user for delivery of a lower rate or duty of water during an irrigation season may not deliver to the user a higher rate or duty of water during the irrigation season than was requested.  
Creates an exception. Provides that the irrigation district may temporarily transfer the use of the water.

**Bill #: HB 2988** Title: Aquafer Recharge, Storage & Recovery Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to do certain things related to aquifers. The Act tells the agency to make a report related to aquifers. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Instructs the Water Resources Department to take certain actions related to aquifer recharge and aquifer storage and recovery.  
Instructs the department to report to interim committees of the Legislative Assembly on topics related to aquifer recharge and aquifer storage and recovery on or before [October 1, 2026] January 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3013** Title: Comp Plan Void Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act gives a process for revoking a permit based on an overturned land use plan or regulation. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).  
Details the process by which a permit or zone change that is based on provisions of a comprehensive plan or land use regulation that fail to gain acknowledgment is voided and any resulting improvements or uses are removed or revoked.

**Bill #: HB 3021** Title: Paid Leave Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act would make changes to the laws of the unemployment and paid leave programs run by the Employment Department. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
Makes changes to statutes related to unemployment insurance law and paid family and medical leave insurance law.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3031** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: This Act requires OIFA to finance roads and pipes to support new home building. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.8).  
[Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
[Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.]  
Establishes a program through which the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority may provide financial assistance for infrastructure to support housing development. Establishes the Housing Infrastructure Project Fund for the program.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3032** Title: Homelessness RC Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study homelessness. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.7).  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study homelessness. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3033** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3035** Title: Housing Lending Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Work Session scheduled.  
 Digest: This Act grows OHCS' program and lending authority. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Expands Housing and Community Services Department authority regarding homeownership housing projects and lending.  
 Allows the department to refinance housing loans.

**Bill #: HB 3050** Title: Port Loan and Grant Program Subject: Ports  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.  
 Digest: The Act would have Business Oregon set up a loan and grant program for Oregon port projects. The program would be run by the infrastructure finance section of the department. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to develop, and the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority to administer, a program for financial assistance to eligible port projects.

**Bill #: HB 3052** Title: DEQ PFAS Study Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.  
 Digest: This Act requires the DEQ to study PFAS. (Flesch Readability Score: 92.9).  
 Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3056** Title: Public Records Fees Subject: Public Records  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.  
 Digest: This Act tells a state agency not to charge a fee for public records when it is a member of the Legislative Assembly who makes the request. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3).  
 Requires state agencies to waive fees for public records requests when the request is made by a member of the Legislative Assembly.

**Bill #: HB 3062** Title: Industrial Development in sensitive areas Subject: Land Use  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Work Session scheduled.  
 Digest: This Act makes new factories study and reduce harms to sensitive people. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Requires local governments to map sensitive uses as part of a comprehensive plan. Requires, before allowing the development of industrial uses, study and mitigation of impacts on nearby sensitive uses and an additional public hearing.  
 Requires local governments to map sensitive uses by January 1, 2027.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3069** Title: Public Safety RC Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act tells DPSST to study public safety and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
 Requires the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to study public safety. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3077** Title: Fire RC Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Work Session scheduled.  
 Digest: The Act lets some local government workers be volunteers to help fight wildfires. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
 Allows local government employees to volunteer to support wildland fire suppression in emergency situations.

**Bill #:** [HB 3078](#)      **Title:** Water System Operators      **Subject:** Water  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML  
**Status:** Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act tells an agency to create a pilot program for training certain water system operators. The Act tells an agency to create a program for giving grants to certain water providers. The Act extends a sunset on certain rules. The Act gives money for the pilot program. The Act gives money for the program and for treating western juniper. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.3).  
 Directs the Oregon Drinking Water Services of the Oregon Health Authority to establish a pilot program for training drinking water system operators. Sunsets the program on January 2, 2028.  
 Directs the Water Resources Department to establish a matching funds grant program that awards grants to certain municipal water providers.  
 Extends the sunset on rules for the Deschutes Basin ground water study area to January 2, 2039.  
 Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Health Authority out of the General Fund for distribution to the Oregon Drinking Water Services for the pilot program.  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for the matching funds grant program.  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to state agencies for purposes related to the treatment of western juniper.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #:** [HB 3083](#)      **Title:** Panic Alarm Consideration      **Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**      **Staff:** HW  
**Status:** Work Session scheduled.

**Digest:** Directs schools to consider use of a panic alarm system as part of a school safety plan. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 [Digest: Directs schools to consider use of a panic alert device as part of a school safety plan. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).]  
 Directs the governing body of a school to consider the installation of a panic [alert device] alarm system as part of the policies and procedures relating to school building security.

**Bill #:** [HB 3088](#)      **Title:** Sustainable Aviation Fuels      **Subject:** Transportation  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML  
**Status:** Work Session scheduled.

**Digest:** The Act says that ODOT must study ways to promote the use of sustainable aviation fuel in this state. The Act says ODOT must report to the JCT. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.7).  
 Directs the Department of Transportation to study promoting the use of sustainable aviation fuel in Oregon and present the results of the study to the Joint Committee on Transportation.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 3091](#)      **Title:** DEQ Relating Clause      **Subject:** Environment  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML  
**Status:** Public Hearing scheduled.

**Digest:** This Act tells the DEQ to make clear rules about its permits and to expedite permits if it misses a deadline. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.7).  
 Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to establish clear administrative rules and internal directives with respect to permits or authorizations issued by the department. Prohibits the department from requiring applicants for a permit or authorization to comply with requirements not in effect at the time of application, subject to exceptions. Requires the department to expedite an application for a permit or authorization if the established deadline for final action has been missed.

**Bill #:** [HB 3098](#)      **Title:** Grant Reporting Requirements      **Subject:** General Gov  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML  
**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The Act requires persons who get grants or loans from state agencies to report on how they spent the money. The Act also requires them to report on whether they made any political contributions. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.0).  
 Requires certain recipients of grant or loan moneys distributed by state agencies to submit annual reports to committees of the Legislative Assembly. Directs state agencies to notify recipients of requirements of the Act.  
 Requires persons required to file reports under the Act to disclose amounts and recipients of political contributions made within a specified time frame.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 3100](#)      **Title:** Trade Strategy      **Subject:** Ports  
**Position:**      **Staff:** ML  
**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

**Digest:** The Act would give lottery funds to Business Oregon to craft a trade strategy for this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 Allocates lottery funds to the Oregon Business Development Department to develop a unified trade strategy for Oregon in collaboration with the Port of Portland, the Oregon Tourism Commission, the State Department of Agriculture and other stakeholders.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3102**      Title: Wildfire Damages      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules by order of Speaker and then Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study certain impacts from wildfire damages. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).  
 Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services to study certain impacts of damages from wildfire. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3104**      Title: Rural Resource Center      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act would have Business Oregon set up a resource center to help rural areas of this state apply for grants and manage grant funds. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.0).  
 Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to enter into an agreement with a nonprofit organization or local government association to serve as a statewide rural community resource center. Requires the center to provide technical assistance to rural jurisdictions to assist them with developing and submitting proposals for public and private awards and to manage funds that are awarded as a result.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3105**      Title: Assignment of Water Certificate      Subject: Water  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: The Act allows a person to assign a water right certificate to someone else. The Act makes a person who sells property that has a water right tell an agency about the sale. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.4).  
 Provides that a certificate to appropriate water may be assigned.  
 Requires a seller of real estate that includes a water right to notify the Water Resources Department of the real estate transaction and the water right that is involved.

**Bill #: HB 3106**      Title: Water Data Portal      Subject: Water  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act creates the Integrated Water Data Team. The Act says that DOGAMI must lead the team and work with the team on creating a state water data portal. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.4).  
 [Digest: The Act gives money to DEQ to work on the Oregon Water Data Portal project. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).]  
 [Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Environmental Quality for the Oregon Water Data Portal project.]  
 Creates the Integrated Water Data Team. Directs the State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries to be the lead agency to coordinate the Integrated Water Data Team.  
 Directs the State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries to work with the Integrated Water Data Team to create and maintain a statewide integrated water data portal.  
 [Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.]  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3107**      Title: DEQ Regulatory processes      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act changes the way DEQ can agree to make a regulatory process work better or faster. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
 Modifies the authority of the Department of Environmental Quality to enter into agreements with regulated entities to expedite or enhance a regulatory process. Directs the Environmental Quality Commission to establish standards to guide the department in the exercise of the department's authority.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3108**      Title: Aquifer Storage and recovery permits      Subject: Water  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: Tells OWRD to make changes to how certain permits about aquifers are reviewed. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
 Requires the Water Resources Department to implement additional rules and requirements for the review of limited license applications for an aquifer storage and recovery permit.

**Bill #: HB 3110** Title: Flag Protection Act

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act requires state and U.S. flags on public buildings to be flame hardy flags by July 4, 2026. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).

Establishes criteria for state and United States flags to be official flags.

Directs public buildings to transition from displaying flags manufactured of flammable materials to flags manufactured of flame retardant materials by July 4, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3112** Title: Voluntary Relinquishment of Water Right

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to create a program for paying people to give up certain ground water rights. The Act gives money for the program. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.7).

Directs the Water Resources Commission to establish a program for compensating ground water right holders for voluntarily relinquishing all or portions of ground water rights in basins designated as critical ground water areas.

Appropriates moneys to the commission for the purpose of funding the program.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3113** Title: Regional Solutions assistance

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would set up a post in the Regional Solutions Program to help communities get state and federal funds. The Act would allocate lottery funds to be used to match federal funds. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.4).

Creates a state and federal grants coordinator position in the Regional Solutions Program. Directs the coordinator to identify barriers that communities face in applying for and managing state and federal funding. Allocates lottery funds to provide matches for federal funds available through the Federal Readiness and Leverage Fund.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3114** Title: Chewaucan River

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act concerns a process for managing water. The Act tells agencies to take actions related to water. The Act gives money for supporting the process. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).

Instructs Oregon Consensus at Portland State University and Oregon State University to support a process related to water management in the Chewaucan River watershed.

[Instructs the State Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Water Resources Department to undertake certain activities related to the Chewaucan River watershed and Lake Abert.]

Appropriates moneys to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to Oregon Consensus and Oregon State University for purposes related to the process.

Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3116** Title: Place-based Water Planning Money

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to WRD to use and distribute for place-based water planning. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Water Resources Department for place-based water planning. Limits expenditures by the department for grants to implement water resources plans.

Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3119** Title: Clean Trucks Delay

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act tells DEQ to wait to enforce some California rules on truck exhaust. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).

Prohibits the Department of Environmental Quality from implementing or enforcing the Advanced Clean Trucks regulations before January 1, 2027.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #:** [HB 3121](#)      **Title:** OAWU Funding

**Subject:** Water  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

**Digest:** The Act would result in support for small and very small water systems. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5). Directs the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to [enter into a contract with] distribute moneys to the Oregon Association of Water Utilities to provide technical assistance, or enter into a contract with a third party to provide technical assistance, to address the needs and vulnerabilities of small and very small community water systems, construct and equip a water utility training center and employ three staff to provide related support and resources. Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department to carry out the [contract] Act. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #:** [HB 3123](#)      **Title:** Wildfire Reduction Grants

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODA to start a program to give grants to help reduce the risk and impact of wildfires in rangeland areas of the state. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.8). Directs the State Department of Agriculture to establish a wildfire risk and impact reduction initiative program that awards grants to eligible local stakeholders.

**Bill #:** [HB 3125](#)      **Title:** Rangeland Wildfire

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act creates a task force related to rangeland wildfire. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7). Establishes the Task Force on Rangeland Wildfire Resilience and Risk Reduction. Sunsets the task force on December 31, 2026. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 3128](#)      **Title:** Wildfire Water Storage

**Subject:** Water  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

**Digest:** The Act says that a person does not need to get a permit in order to store surface water to prepare for responding to fire. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7). Provides that the storage of surface water for fire response preparedness does not require a water right application, permit or certificate.

**Bill #:** [HB 3132](#)      **Title:** Firefighting at airports augmentation

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Transportation, then W

**Digest:** The Act tells ODEM to take certain actions to improve firefighting resources at certain airports. The Act also changes some laws to make it easier to move fuel. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.7). Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to procure and maintain vehicles for purposes related to fuel and personnel needs at certain airports. Provides that the Director of Transportation may exercise the authority to suspend certain statutes when the Emergency Conflagration Act is invoked. Provides that the suspension may apply to geographic areas other than the area where an emergency or conflagration occurs. Authorizes the Oregon National Guard and the Oregon Civil Defense Force to transport aviation fuel under certain circumstances. Directs the department to issue grants for infrastructure projects at certain airports. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 3135](#)      **Title:** Soil and Water Conservation money

**Subject:** Environment  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

**Digest:** The Act gives an agency money for grants to soil and water conservation districts in certain counties and for support and monitoring. The Act takes effect when it is signed. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.7). [Digest: The Act tells an agency to award grants to soil and water conservation districts. The Act gives the agency money for the grants. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.1).] [Directs] Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to award grants to soil and water conservation districts that operate in certain counties. Appropriates moneys to the department for distribution to the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council for soil and water conservation districts for coordination and administrative support and to perform certain monitoring. [Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for awarding the grants.] Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3140**      Title: Liability Waiver for Recreation      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary by order of Speaker and then Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act says that an operator can make a person who does recreation release the operator from some types of claims. Tells OBDD to study issues for the recreation industry and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6). Provides that an operator may require a person who engages in a sport, fitness or recreational activity in various ways to release the operator from claims for ordinary negligence. Directs the Oregon Business Development Department, with the assistance of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, to study issues facing the recreation industry and report to a committee of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026. Appropriates moneys for study. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3143**      Title: Landowners and Beavers      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act allows agencies to award moneys under a grant program related to living with beavers on private land. The Act directs an agency and a committee to report on the grant program. The Act gives moneys to the agency for the grant program. The Act goes into effect on the 91st day after the 2025 session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.3). Establishes the Landowners Living with Beavers Grant Program Subaccount in the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund. Authorizes the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to award block grants from the subaccount under the Landowners Living with Beavers Grant Program, on recommendations from the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee. Directs the department and the committee to jointly report on the grant program to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment on or before September 15, 2027. Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for deposit in the subaccount for purposes related to the grant program. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3150**      Title: Volunteer Firefighter Tax Credit      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Revenue by prior reference.

Digest: The Act makes a new tax credit for volunteer firefighters. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). Establishes an income tax credit for volunteer firefighters. Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, and before January 1, 2032. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3152**      Title: Candidate Filings      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: Tells the SOS to create an e-filing system. Allows certain city and county candidates to file a picture and statement to the system. Requires the SOS to post the pictures and statements on the secretary's website. Requires the state and county pamphlets to list the offices whose candidates may file a picture and statement and where they may be viewed. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.2). Requires the Secretary of State to establish an electronic filing system to allow a candidate for nomination or election to a county or city office held at a primary or general election to file a portrait and statement electronically with the secretary if the candidate cannot have the portrait and statement printed in the county voters' pamphlet. Requires the Secretary of State to post a candidate portrait and statement on the secretary's website. Requires the applicable state voters' pamphlets and county voters' pamphlets to include a list of all offices whose candidates may post portraits and statements on the Secretary of State's website and the website address where the portraits and statements will be posted.

**Bill #: HB 3154**      Title: Buildable Lands Definition      Subject: Land Use  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: This Act changes which lands may be called buildable. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.9). Removes certain lands from definitions of buildable lands for purposes of urbanization.

**Bill #: HB 3156** Title: Utilities RC Subject: Water Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: Tells each public utility to include with each bill they send the phone numbers and website for the PUC's consumer services. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 [Digest: Makes the PUC do a study on utilities and submit a report on its findings. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).]  
 [Requires the Public Utility Commission to study utilities. Directs the commission to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to energy not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
 Requires each public utility to include with each utility bill the phone numbers for the Public Utility Commission's consumer services and website address for the commission's online consumer complaint form.

**Bill #: HB 3159** Title: Public Utility Rates Subject: Water Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Digest: Limits the amount by which a public utility may increase a rate or schedule of rates in a year. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).  
 Limits the maximum percentage by which a public utility may increase a rate or schedule of rates in a calendar year to the average percentage change of the Consumer Price Index.

**Bill #: HB 3160** Title: Fire District Funding OFSM Study Subject: Finance & Tax Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment.

Digest: The Act tells the State Fire Marshal to study funding for fire districts. The Act tells the State Fire Marshal to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 85.8).  
 Directs the State Fire Marshal to study funding for fire districts. Directs the State Fire Marshal to report to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3163** Title: Senior Special Assessment Subject: Finance & Tax Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would let counties opt to grant a specially assessed property tax value for the homes of people who are at least 62 years old. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.5).  
 Allows counties to adopt an ordinance or resolution that provides, for purposes of ad valorem property taxation, a specially assessed value for the owner-occupied primary residences of individuals who are at least 62 years of age.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3170** Title: Resilience Hubs & Networks Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act makes changes to laws about networks that help people prepare for and respond to disasters. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 Modifies the definitions of and grant requirements for Resilience Hubs and Resilience Networks.  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services for providing grants for Resilience Hubs and Resilience Networks.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3172** Title: Grants for hardening structures Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to create a grant program for reducing wildfire damage. The program is for retrofitting dwellings. The Act gives money for the program. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.2).  
 [Digest: The Act tells an agency to create a grant program for reducing wildfire damage. The program is for retrofitting homes and other structures. The Act gives money for the program. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).]  
 Directs the Department of the State Fire Marshal to establish a grant program to facilitate the retrofitting of dwellings [and accessory structures] to reduce vulnerability to wildfire.  
 Appropriates moneys to the department out of the General Fund for the program.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.



**Bill #: HB 3187** Title: Age Discrimination Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act changes laws with respect to discrimination based on age. The Act takes effect 91 days after adjournment. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 [Clarifies the meaning of "because of age" for purposes of employment discrimination law. Permits observing the terms of a bona fide seniority system or bona fide employee benefit plan when taking an employment action.]  
 Makes it an unlawful employment practice for an employer to require or request disclosure of certain information regarding age and attendance or graduation dates. Provides exceptions.  
 Removes the provision allowing age limits for the purpose of selecting apprentices to bring such conduct within the scope of the unlawful discrimination statute.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3196** Title: State Finance RC Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to DOJ for purposes related to VOCA grants. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
 [Digest: The Act gives money to DOJ to backfill reductions in VOCA grants. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.8).]  
 Appropriates moneys to the Department of Justice [to backfill reductions in] for purposes related to federal Victims of Crime Act grants.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3216** Title: Prevailing Wage Reporting Subject: Public Contracting  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: Tells a state agency to study how to make a system to report data on payments of wage levels needed for state projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
 [Digest: Tells people who must pay a certain wage to workers who do construction on public works to send to a state agency reports about what they pay the workers. Says that the reports must be done online at a particular website. Tells the state agency to create the website and make it ready for use by the beginning of 2027. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).]  
 [Requires contractors and subcontractors that must report compliance with the prevailing wage laws to submit certified statements and reports showing compliance to the Bureau of Labor and Industries by means of a centralized system and electronic portal. Directs the bureau to develop and implement an appropriate electronic portal. Lists specifications for and required elements of the electronic portal.]  
 [Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.]  
 Directs the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study the feasibility of developing a centralized system for reporting compliance with prevailing wage payment requirements. Specifies what the study should consider and requires the bureau to report the results of the study to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to public procurement not later than September 1, 2026.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3228** Title: Public Cybersecurity Insurance Subject: Insurance  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: Makes a council assess why public bodies are not able to get cybersecurity insurance. Tells the council to submit a report on its findings. Creates a fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.9).  
 [Digest: Makes a council study the use of cybersecurity insurance for public bodies. Tells the council to submit a report on its findings. Creates a fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.0).]  
 [Requires the Oregon Cybersecurity Advisory Council to study the use of cybersecurity insurance for public bodies.] Directs the Oregon Cybersecurity Advisory Council to conduct assessments to address the reasons why public bodies in this state are unable to meet cybersecurity insurance coverage requirements. Directs the advisory council to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to information management and technology not later than [December 31, 2025] September 30, 2026.  
 Establishes the Oregon Cybersecurity Resilience Fund. Appropriates moneys in the fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to the Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence to assist public bodies with cybersecurity insurance requirements and cybersecurity vulnerabilities, training and incidents.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3237** Title: PSAP Consolidation Grants Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to run a grant program to support PSAP consolidation and upgrades. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to administer a grant program in support of projects to consolidate and modernize or upgrade public safety answering points.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2045.

**Bill #:** [HB 3243](#)      **Title:** Ambulance Balance Billing

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

**Digest:** Tells ambulance service providers not to balance bill some patients and makes them report local rates to DCBS. Makes some rules about health insurance for ambulance services. Tells DCBS to make a new database of local rates and allows for penalties. Tells DCBS to submit a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.5).  
[**Digest:** Tells ambulance service providers not to balance bill some patients and makes them report local rates to DCBS. Makes some rules about health insurance for ambulance services. Tells DCBS to make a new database of local rates and allows for penalties. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.9).]  
Prohibits balance billing for ambulance ground transportation services in certain circumstances and creates rules for health benefit plan [coverage] reimbursement of ambulance services. Requires ground ambulance services to submit established local rates to the Department of Consumer and Business Services. Establishes a database of local rates for ambulance services and allows for penalties to be imposed for violations. Requires the department to submit a report on the implementation of this Act.

**Bill #:** [HB 3246](#)      **Title:** Industrial Symbiosis

**Subject:** Economic Development  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

**Digest:** The Act would have Business Oregon develop a plan to promote industrial symbiosis, which is defined to mean the use of the resources of one firm by a second firm. The Act would require a report on the plan to be turned in next year. The Act would appropriate funds to be used for technical aid for up to six symbiosis pilot programs. The Act would let certain county service districts fund water resource services with charges for services, works or commodities. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
[**Digest:** The Act would have Business Oregon develop a plan to promote industrial symbiosis, which is defined to mean the use of the resources of one firm by a second firm. The Act would have the agency submit a report on the plan next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).]  
Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to develop a roadmap for the purpose of promoting voluntary industrial symbiosis activities in Oregon. Requires the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development not later than September 15, 2026. Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Business Development Department to fund technical assistance for up to six industrial symbiosis pilot communities in Oregon. Authorizes certain county service districts to fund water resource management services with charges for district services, facilities or commodities.  
[Sunsets on January 2, 2028.]  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #:** [HB 3249](#)      **Title:** Property Tax for 65+

**Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act would grant a partial tax exemption for the home of a senior or the senior's surviving spouse. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
Allows a partial exemption of ad valorem property taxes due on the owner-occupied principal dwelling of an individual who is at least 65 years of age and the individual's surviving spouse regardless of age.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 3258](#)      **Title:** Eco Devo RC

**Subject:** Economic Development  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade.

**Digest:** The Act tells the OBDD to study economic development in this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to conduct a study of economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** [HB 3259](#)      **Title:** PSAP Consolidation

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODEM to run a grant program to support PSAP consolidation and upgrades. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to administer a grant program in support of projects to consolidate and modernize or upgrade public safety answering points.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2045.

**Bill #:** [HB 3260](#)      **Title:** Resiliency Grants

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODEM to give grants to make facilities more resilient. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to develop and maintain a grant program to harden community facilities against man-made and natural disasters.  
Establishes the Community Facility Hardening Fund.

**Bill #:** [HB 3262](#)      **Title:** Wildfire Recovery

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** Creates a fund that three state agencies may use to help protect from, recover from and restore property damaged by wildfires. Specifies what the agencies may use the moneys in the fund to do. Tells the State Fire Marshal to send some of the money to a fund that makes grants to rural fire protection districts. Tells insurers to pay a fee to a state agency for each property insurance policy the insurer issues in this state. Lets insurers get the money they pay back from policy holders. Tells the state agency to put the money from the fee into the fund that the other three state agencies use. Sets a filing fee for property taxes and sets aside part of the fee for the wildfire protection fund. Sunsets the Act on July 1, 2033. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.0). Establishes the Oregon Wildfire Preparedness and Community Protection Fund and directs the State Fire Marshal, the State Forestry Department and the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board to make expenditures from the fund for various activities related to restoration, protection and recovery from wildfires. Requires the State Fire Marshal to reserve and transfer to a revolving fund a certain percentage of moneys from the Oregon Wildfire Preparedness and Community Protection Fund for grants to rural fire protection districts. Requires an insurer each year to remit to Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services a surcharge for each policy of insurance that is property insurance. Permits an insurer each year to recoup from insureds the amount the insurer remitted to the director. Requires the director to deposit the proceeds of the surcharge into the Oregon Wildfire Preparedness and Community Protection Fund. Imposes a filing fee for property taxes and requires remission of the proceeds of the fee, less a specified percentage for administrative costs, to the Oregon Wildfire Preparedness and Community Protection Fund. Sunsets July 1, 2033.

**Bill #:** [HB 3264](#)      **Title:** Training Standards

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act tells DPSST to look at fire service professional training standards and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6). Requires the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to study fire service professional training standards. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to emergency management not later than September 15, 2026. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** [HB 3265](#)      **Title:** Retainage RC

**Subject:** Public Contracting  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Commerce and Consumer Protection.

**Digest:** Tells a state agency to do a study about how to make sure that contractors do the work on construction projects that they are supposed to do. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4). Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study alternative methods to implement retainage provisions in public improvement contracts. Directs the department to submit findings to interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to public procurement not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** [HB 3266](#)      **Title:** Community Water Systems

**Subject:** Water  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

**Digest:** The Act would tell DAS to study community water systems. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study community water systems. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** [HB 3273](#)      **Title:** OrSAP

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act gives money to the Fire Marshal for OrSAP. (Flesch Readability Score: 86.7). Appropriates moneys to the Department of the State Fire Marshal for personnel costs related to the Oregon Safety Assessment Program (OrSAP).

**Bill #:** [HB 3276](#)      **Title:** Airport Infrastructure RC

**Subject:** Ports  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Transportation.

**Digest:** The Act tells the ODA to study how to make airports stronger and better and to report back. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.7). Directs the Oregon Department of Aviation to study issues related to improving airport infrastructure resilience and to report to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3279](#)      **Title:** Emergency Licensing

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Behavioral Health and

**Digest:** The Act says that ODEM can give short-term licenses during emergencies to people who used to do certain health care jobs. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).

Authorizes the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to issue temporary professional licenses during states of emergency to individuals formerly licensed by certain professional licensing boards.

**Bill #:** [HB 3286](#)      **Title:** Disaster

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODEM to help each county develop local groups to help in emergencies. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).

Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to establish a liaison for each county to foster development of county-level organizations or networks to address emergency prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.

Sunsets January 2, 2028.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #:** [HB 3292](#)      **Title:** Seaport Transportation RC

**Subject:** Transportation  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODEM to do a study on the resilience of seaports. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).

Requires the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study seaport transportation infrastructure resilience. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency management not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** [HB 3293](#)      **Title:** Seaport Infrastructure

**Subject:** Ports  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODEM to do a study on the resilience of seaports. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).

Requires the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study seaport transportation infrastructure resilience. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency management not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** [HB 3296](#)      **Title:** Transportation RC

**Subject:** Transportation  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Transportation.

**Digest:** The Act tells ODOT to conduct a study. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.3).

Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to improving transportation infrastructure resilience and to report to the appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2026.

Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3297](#)      **Title:** Employment RC

**Subject:** Labor  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

**Digest:** The Act tells BOLI to study issues related to employment in this state. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.2).

Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study issues related to employment in this state. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.

Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3299](#)      **Title:** Salem Bridge District

**Subject:** Transportation  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

**Digest:** The Act would allow for the creation of a bridge district in the area around Salem. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.2).

Authorizes the formation of a bridge district in the capital city region, consisting of Benton, Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties.

Authorizes the bridge district to levy property taxes for the purpose of planning, financing, constructing, operating and maintaining bridges over the Willamette River in the capital city region. Provides for the organization of a district board consisting of five members, one elected from each of the four counties in the capital city region and one elected from the district at large.

Sunsets on January 2, 2030.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3300** Title: Desalinization RC Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: The Act creates a task force on desalination and tells it to carry out a study. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.2). Establishes the Task Force on Desalination. Directs the task force to study the creation of a statewide desalination program. Requires the task force to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to water no later than December 15, 2026. Sunsets the task force on December 31, 2026. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3301** Title: Ground Transportation RC Subject: Transportation  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act tells ODOT to study ways to make roads strong against future challenges. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7). Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to improving ground transportation infrastructure resilience and to report to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2026. Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3303** Title: Infrastructure Financing Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would require a study of how the state can help lower infrastructure and housing costs. The Act would require the agency doing the study to submit a report to the legislature by mid-September. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6). Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to study infrastructure financing in Oregon by considering and evaluating tools the state may use to have a positive effect on infrastructure and housing costs in Oregon. Requires the department to submit a report of the findings of the study to the Legislative Assembly. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3305** Title: Desalinization Authority Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act creates a state desalination agency and tells it to carry out a study. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8). Establishes the Oregon Desalination Authority. Directs the authority to study the development and maintenance of desalination facilities in this state. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3308** Title: Fuel RC Subject: Transportation  
 Position: Ports Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that certain government facilities must keep a three-week fuel supply. The Act also says that governments must use renewable diesel fuel. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1). Requires certain strategically important state and local government facilities to maintain a three-week fuel supply beginning in 2031. Requires all state and local government facilities to use renewable diesel for all diesel fuel requirements beginning in 2028.

**Bill #: HB 3309** Title: Emergency Response Grants Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an account to help public bodies respond to emergencies. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). Establishes the Oregon Public Assistance Grant Account as an account in the Oregon Disaster Response Fund. Continuously appropriates the moneys in the account to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management for funding to state agencies, local governments, special government bodies, federally recognized Indian tribes and nonprofit organizations for specified emergency response activities.

**Bill #: HB 3314** Title: Algal Bloom RC Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act gives money to DAS to give to the Human Access Project to mitigate harmful algal blooms. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.3). [Digest: This Act gives money to HECC to give to OSU to mitigate harmful algal blooms. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.1).] Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the [Higher Education Coordinating Commission] Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to [Oregon State University] the Human Access Project for harmful algal bloom mitigation. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3316** Title: Labor Negotiations

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act makes laws that would require video recordings of certain labor negotiations. The Act would take effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.7).  
Requires video recordings of labor negotiations conducted by or on behalf of certain public bodies.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3319** Title: SAIF Relating Clause

Subject: Workers Comp  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would allow for lower premiums for a type of insurance in some situations. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8). Permits the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation to evaluate the risk the corporation has insured for employers during the past three years and reduce the premium the corporation charges the employer to reflect any reductions or mitigations in risk that result from an agreement between the employer and the corporation. Permits the corporation to specify in an agreement with the person that owns a new business or that assumes ownership of an existing business conditions under which the corporation will charge the person a reduced premium rate for a probationary period during which the corporation evaluates the person's adherence to the terms of the agreement.

**Bill #: HB 3325** Title: TLT for Essential Services

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Economic Development, Small Business, and Trade with subsequent referral to Revenue.

Digest: The Act would let tax districts in counties with high tourist counts use a certain percent of net lodging taxes for essential services. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
Provides that taxing districts within counties with high averaged annual ratios of tourists to residents may expend a certain percentage of net transient lodging taxes for essential services that benefit both residents and tourists.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3327** Title: LPRO Local Gov Study

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act tells LPRO to do a study on laws affecting local governments. The Act tells LPRO to report on its study. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.3).  
Requires the Legislative Policy and Research Director to study legislation affecting local governments. Directs the director to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3331** Title: SAIF Funds for Disasters

Subject: Insurance  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act says that a portion of dividends paid by SAIF must be redirected into a fund for disaster preparedness. The Act creates a board to advise on how the fund is used. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.1).  
Provides that a percentage of dividends paid by the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation are redirected to a fund for catastrophic disaster preparedness. Creates an advisory board to advise on expenditures from the fund and on other policy improvements. Directs the advisory board to make recommendations on or before February 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3341** Title: Water RC

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to OWEB for a program to protect and improve sources of drinking water. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.1).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board for deposit in the Community Drinking Water Enhancement and Protection Fund.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3342** Title: Water RC

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act changes laws related to the regulation of water rights in this state. The Act goes into effect 91 days after sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.2).  
[Digest: The Act tells an agency to study rules about water. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.0).]  
[Directs the Water Resources Department to study rules related to water. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.]  
Modifies provisions of law related to the regulation and administration of water rights in this state.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3343** Title: Natural Resources RC

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act tells the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to study natural resources. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
Requires the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to study natural resources. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3346** Title: Solar in CGWA

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of Speaker.

Digest: This Act makes DLCD study land use for energy siting in areas short on ground water. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development, in consultation with the Department of Revenue, State Department of Energy and Water Resources Department, to study siting of energy facilities in designated critical ground water areas east of the Cascade Range. Directs the [department to submit] Department of Land Conservation and Development to summarize findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to land use not later than [September 15] November 30, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3352** Title: Salmon Habitat Restoration

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act tells the DSL to make a pilot program for owners of land to restore salmon habitat. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.0).  
Directs the Department of State Lands, in consultation with the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, to develop a salmon credit pilot program to encourage the voluntary restoration of salmonid habitat in the Coquille and Coos watershed basins.  
Establishes the Salmon Credit Trust Fund.  
Directs the Department of State Lands and the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to consult with the United States Army Corps of Engineers to develop or identify an existing programmatic general permit to authorize restoration activities under the pilot program.  
Becomes operative on the date that a programmatic general permit is established.  
Provides that the Department of State Lands may not approve a salmon credit project on or after January 2 of the sixth year following the establishment of a programmatic general permit.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3353** Title: Wildfire water quality

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Climate, Energy, and Environment with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells agencies to study how wildfire affects water quality. The Act tells the agencies to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.2).  
Requires the State Department of Fish and Wildlife and Department of Environmental Quality to study the impacts of wildfire on water quality of streams and tributaries. Directs the departments to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3358** Title: 3% for A&T Funding

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Revenue.

Digest: The Act would have a county at high risk of financial distress hold back three percent of property taxes to be used to fund the work of the county assessor. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Authorizes a county tax collector to withhold from property tax distributions to taxing districts within the county an amount equal to three percent of the distributions. Applies during any period in which the county is listed in an audit report of the Secretary of State as being at high risk of financial distress. Requires the county to use the withheld amounts to fund the office of the county assessor.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 3362](#) Title: Tire Tax

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act creates a tax on tires to pay for rail transit, tire pollution and wildlife crossings. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.0). Imposes an excise tax on retail sales of tires. Directs the Department of Revenue to transfer tax revenue to specified funds for purposes related to rail transit, tire pollution prevention and mitigation and wildlife passage infrastructure. Establishes the Tire Pollution and Rail Transit Fund. Establishes the Wildlife-Vehicle Collision Reduction Fund. Directs the Department of Transportation to establish a tire pollution prevention and mitigation program. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 3363](#) Title: PERS OT Cap

Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules by order of Speaker and then Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act changes how overtime is used in OPSRP. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.9). Modifies how the overtime cap is calculated for use in calculating the final average salary of members of the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan.

Bill #: [HB 3364](#) Title: Water Supply Grant Program

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: The Act makes changes related to a water supply grant program. The Act tells an agency to report on certain programs related to water at least every eight years. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8). Makes changes related to a water supply grant program. Directs the Water Resources Department to report to a committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to water and to the Water Resources Commission on certain funding programs at least every eight years. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 3372](#) Title: Exempt uses of water

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act allows exempt wells to use a set amount of water per day for irrigating lawns and gardens. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3). [Digest: The Act tells an agency to study exempt uses of water. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).] [Directs the Water Resources Department to study exempt uses of water. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water not later than September 15, 2026.] Permits certain exempt ground water users to withdraw up to 3,000 gallons of water per day for watering any lawn or noncommercial or commercial garden that does not exceed one-half acre. Specifies that the total combined use for industrial or commercial purposes, when combined with a commercial garden, may not exceed 5,000 gallons per day.

Bill #: [HB 3374](#) Title: SAIF MCO

Subject: Workers Comp  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would let SAIF form or acquire subsidiaries. The Act would let SAIF or a subsidiary provide managed care to injured workers. The Act would require the Department of Consumer and Business Services to make an annual audit of the managed care that they provide. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6). Authorizes the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation to form or acquire subsidiaries to perform any function the corporation may delegate under law. Authorizes the corporation or a subsidiary to provide managed care services to injured workers. Sets forth the membership and duties of the board of directors that governs a subsidiary. Requires an annual audit of the managed care services provided by the corporation or a subsidiary. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 3380](#) Title: Tax credit for EMS

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes a tax credit bigger for some EMS providers and keeps the tax credit in the law until the year 2030. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1). Increases the tax credit allowed to rural volunteer emergency medical services providers from \$250 per tax year to \$1,000 per tax year. Requires the Office of Rural Health to annually submit to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health care and to the Emergency Medical Services Program a report that includes the number of taxpayers eligible for the tax credit. Extends the tax credit sunset to January 1, 2030.



**Bill #:** [HB 3381](#)      **Title:** Public Safety RC

**Subject:** Public Safety  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Judiciary.

**Digest:** The Act tells DPSST to study public safety and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7). Requires the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to study public safety. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3383](#)      **Title:** Document Recording Fee

**Subject:** General Gov  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act would raise certain fees charged by county clerks. (Flesch Readability Score: 95.1). Raises certain fees charged by county clerks.

**Bill #:** [HB 3385](#)      **Title:** Public Record Fees

**Subject:** Public Records  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** President signed.

**Digest:** Exempts public records filed with a county clerk from the fee schedule. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.8). Modifies the statute that governs the fee schedule for public records filed with a county clerk.

**Bill #:** [HB 3388](#)      **Title:** Recalls Study

**Subject:** Elections  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the Secretary of State to study recalls. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Secretary of State to study recalls of public officials. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3389](#)      **Title:** Elections RC

**Subject:** Elections  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the Secretary of State to study voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Secretary of State to study elections. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3390](#)      **Title:** Elections RC

**Subject:** Elections  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the Secretary of State to study voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Secretary of State to study elections. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3391](#)      **Title:** Ranked Choice Study

**Subject:** Elections  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the Secretary of State to study ranked choice voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7). Requires the Secretary of State to study ranked choice voting. Directs the Secretary of State to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** [HB 3392](#)      **Title:** Campaign Reform RC

**Subject:** Campaign Finance  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the Secretary of State to study money in voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). Requires the Secretary of State to study campaign finance. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3393](#)      **Title:** Ballot Measure RC

**Subject:** Elections  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the Secretary of State to study measures on the ballot. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).  
Requires the Secretary of State to study measures on the ballot. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3394](#)      **Title:** Public Meeting RC

**Subject:** Public Meetings  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells DOJ to study public meetings and report back. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
Requires the Department of Justice to study public meetings. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3395](#)      **Title:** Ethics RC

**Subject:** Ethics  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells the OGEAC to study ethics. (Flesch Readability Score: 87.9).  
Requires the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to study government ethics. Directs the commission to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to government ethics not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3396](#)      **Title:** Public Records RC

**Subject:** Public Records  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** Tells DOJ to study public records and report back. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
Requires the Department of Justice to study public records. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3397](#)      **Title:** Public Compensation

**Subject:** General Gov  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The Act tells DAS to do a study on compensation. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.2).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study compensation for public service. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3398](#)      **Title:** State Administration RC

**Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The Act tells DAS to look at state administration and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study state administration and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to general government not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3399](#)      **Title:** State Administration RC

**Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The Act tells DAS to look at state administration and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study state administration and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to general government not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #:** [HB 3400](#)      **Title:** State Finance RC

**Subject:** Finance & Tax  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The Act tells DAS to do a study on state finance. (Flesch Readability Score: 95.6).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study state finance. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to ways and means not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3401** Title: State Finance RC

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells DAS to do a study on state finance. (Flesch Readability Score: 95.6).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study state finance. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to ways and means not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3402** Title: Transportation RC

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3407** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3408** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3412** Title: Climate RC

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: This Act requires the DEQ to study and make a report on the climate. (Flesch Readability Score: 83.8).  
Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study the climate. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3413** Title: Natural Resources

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: This Act requires the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to study and make a report on natural resources. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
Requires the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to study natural resources. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3414** Title: Emergency Management RC

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to do a study on emergency management. The Act tells ODEM to report on its study. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study emergency management. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency management not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3415** Title: Wildfires RC

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study wildfires. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
Directs the State Forestry Department to study wildfires. Directs the department to report to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3416** Title: Revenue RC

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act tells the LRO to study the personal income tax system. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.8). Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the personal income tax system. Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3418** Title: Economic Development RC

Subject: Economic Development  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act would require a study of economic development in this state with a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6). Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3419** Title: Water RC

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study rules related to water. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9). Directs the Water Resources Department to study rules related to water. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3426** Title: Drone RC

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: The Act says that it is an offense to use a drone to interfere with firefighting and search and rescue activities. The Act changes some penalties for use of drones. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.0). [Digest: The Act says that it is an offense to use a drone to interfere with firefighting and search and rescue activities. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).] Expands offenses relating to the use of an unmanned aircraft system to interfere with official duties to include firefighting and search and rescue efforts. Modifies penalties for using an unmanned aircraft system to interfere with law enforcement, firefighting, search and rescue or emergency response efforts.

**Bill #: HB 3431** Title: Public Notices

Subject: Public Records  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act lets people publish some notices in online news. The Act changes some laws about public notices. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5). Expands the application of certain statutes requiring publication in a newspaper to allow publication in online news publications. Modifies the laws relating to publication of public notices.

**Bill #: HB 3434** Title: Unemployment for Strikes

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would repeal the law that denies benefits to a person who is unemployed due to an active labor dispute. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6). Provides that an individual otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance benefits is not disqualified for any week that the individual's unemployment is due to a labor dispute in active progress at the individual's place of employment. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3452** Title: Ballot Title RC

Subject: Elections  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act makes the LC responsible for drafting ballot titles. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). Makes the Legislative Counsel, rather than the Attorney General, responsible for drafting ballot titles for state measures.

**Bill #: HB 3456** Title: Internet Safety

Subject: Technology  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Education.

Digest: Tells schools and libraries to have a policy for Internet use by minors. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4). Requires district school boards and public library boards to adopt policies to provide for Internet safety for students and minors. Prescribes the requirements of the policies.

**Bill #: HB 3457**      Title: E-Verify      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act makes all employers use E-Verify for new hires. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
 Requires employers to use the federal E-Verify employment verification system to verify the employment eligibility of employees.

**Bill #: HB 3461**      Title: Pesticide Application      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: This Act allows some workers to apply pesticides without a license if they use a device that runs on a battery. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 Creates a pesticide licensing exemption for certain employees using a battery-powered device to apply pesticides.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3462**      Title: Camping Public Property      Subject: General Government  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act would ban camping on public property other than school lands and state forests. The Act would punish a violation of the ban with a maximum fine of \$100. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.7).  
 Prohibits camping on public property other than school lands and state forests. Punishes by a maximum fine of \$100.

**Bill #: HB 3463**      Title: Water Banks      Subject: Water  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study water banks. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
 Directs the Water Resources Department to study water banks. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 3467**      Title: Ballot Harvesting      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act provides that a person may not return someone else's ballot. The Act has exceptions. The Act declares an emergency and becomes law when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 Prohibits an individual from collecting and returning the ballot of another individual, subject to specified exceptions.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3468**      Title: Voter Reg Updates      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act keeps county clerks from updating voter data by using data that ODOT and OHA send. The Act lets voters use voter registration cards to make updates to their data. The Act becomes law 91 days after the legislature is done. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.7).  
 Prohibits a county clerk from using certain information provided by the Department of Transportation or the Oregon Health Authority to update any registration information for an elector who is already registered to vote. Provides that an elector may update the elector's registration information by submitting a registration card.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3470**      Title: Voter Registration Verification      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act tells the SOS to confirm voter registration data from ODOT and OHA. The Act tells the secretary not to send the data to a county clerk until and unless the person is confirmed to be a U.S. citizen. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.7).  
 Requires the Secretary of State to verify information provided to the secretary by the Department of Transportation and the Oregon Health Authority regarding voter registration. Prohibits the secretary from providing voter registration information the secretary receives from the Department of Transportation and the Oregon Health Authority to a county clerk until and unless the secretary verifies that the voter is a United States citizen.

**Bill #: HB 3472**      Title: Vehicles RC      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study e-bikes and e-scooters. The Act says ODOT must report to the JCT. (Flesch Readability Score: 81.4).  
 Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to electric assisted bicycles and motor assisted scooters and present the results of the study to the Joint Committee on Transportation.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3473**      Title: Automatic Voter Registration      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act ends the transfer of voter registration data from ODOT and the OHA to the SOS. The Act declares an emergency and becomes law when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.7).  
 Repeals the automatic transfer of voter registration information from the Department of Transportation and the Oregon Health Authority to the Secretary of State.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3477**      Title: GHG Goals      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act changes the state's goals to reduce greenhouse gases and changes the term "global warming" to "climate change" in some laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.2).  
 Modifies state greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals. Replaces the term "global warming" with "climate change" in provisions related to the Oregon Climate Action Commission.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3480**      Title: Transportation RC      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
 Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3481**      Title: Transportation RC      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
 Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3482**      Title: Transportation RC      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study speed bumps. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
 Requires the Department of Transportation to study the development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3483**      Title: Public Property Camping      Subject: General Government  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness.

Digest: The Act says that a homeless camp site must be occupied for 72 hours before a 72-hour notice of removal of the camp site may be posted. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
 Provides that a camping site is not "established" until it has been continuously occupied for 72 hours for purposes of the rule requiring 72-hour notice before homeless individuals may be removed from the camping site.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3489** Title: 3/5ths Timber Tax

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would impose a new severance tax on timber harvested from public or private forestland. The Act would repeal all current forest product harvest taxes. The Act would get rid of a lot surcharge, the Emergency Fire Cost Committee and the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund. The Act would make changes related to the cost of fire protection in forest protection districts. The Act would be referred for a vote at next year's general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.1). Imposes a severance tax on owners of timber harvested from public or private forestland. Imposes the tax at rates determined under brackets according to the acreage of forestland held in common ownership, multiplied by the pond value of timber at the time of harvest. Repeals forest products harvest taxes. Abolishes a lot surcharge. Makes changes related to the cost of fire protection provided within forest protection districts. Abolishes the Emergency Fire Cost Committee and the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund. Refers the Act to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: HB 3490** Title: Chiro Visits

Subject: Workers Comp  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would lift certain limits on the practice of chiropractors in workers' comp claims. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).

Removes the limits on the duration of medical services, the number of visits and the areas of practice for chiropractic physicians serving as attending physicians in workers' compensation claims.

**Bill #: HB 3491** Title: Family Medical Leave RC

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to paid family and medical leave. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1). Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to the family and medical leave insurance program. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3492** Title: Toxic Hazards

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells DOGAMI to study and report on risks related to toxic substances that may be released in an earthquake. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6). Directs the State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries to study risks and issues relating to earthquake-induced [dispersion of hazardous materials] toxic inhalation. Requires the department to submit a report on the study to the State Resilience Officer by December 1, 2027. Provides that the study and report are confidential pending review by the Director of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3499** Title: Urban Renewal

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would require that an urban renewal plan or an amendment to a plan be approved by voters. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3). Requires the approval of an urban renewal plan by the electors of a municipality proposing a plan or a substantial amendment to a plan.

**Bill #: HB 3500** Title: City Council Reelection

Subject: Elections  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act would bar city councillors from running for reelection before the last election held before the end of their current term. The Act would make an exception for a councillor who has moved from one district in the city to another. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6). Provides that a city councillor may not seek reelection prior to the last election held before the expiration of the councillor's current term. Provides an exception if the city councillors are elected by district and the councillor has changed residence from one district to another. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3501**      Title: Water Rights      Subject: Water  
Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules by order of Speaker.

Digest: The Act is about changing aspects of certain water rights. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
Prohibits the consideration of whether certain changes related to water rights would impair or be detrimental to the public interest.

**Bill #: HB 3502**      Title: Water Rights Examiners      Subject: Water  
Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act removes a sunset on provisions that relate to people who review water rights. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Makes permanent certain provisions related to water right examiner certification.

**Bill #: HB 3505**      Title: Housing RC      Subject: Housing  
Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: The Act would bar an SDC for putting in a home fire sprinkler system that meets a certain national standard. The Act would bar an SDC for the increase in the capacity of the system's water meter over the water meter that would otherwise be required. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).

[Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]

[Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.]

Provides that a local government may not impose or increase a system development charge for the installation of a National Fire Protection Association 13D residential fire sprinkler system or for the increase in capacity of the system's water meter over the capacity of the water meter that would otherwise be required.

**Bill #: HB 3506**      Title: Housing RC      Subject: Housing  
Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act transfers money from tax deferral account to OHA's Healthy Homes fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).

[Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]

[Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.]

Transfers moneys from the Senior Property Tax Deferral Revolving Account to the Healthy Homes Repair Fund for the purpose of supporting seniors and individuals with disabilities.

**Bill #: HB 3512**      Title: PFAS Product ban      Subject: Environment  
Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act prohibits the sale of certain products that contain PFAS. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).

Prohibits the distribution or sale of certain covered products that contain intentionally added perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances. Requires a manufacturer of covered products to provide a certificate of compliance to persons that sell or distribute covered products in this state.

Authorizes the Attorney General to investigate and bring an action to obtain an injunction or a civil penalty for violations of the Act.

Becomes operative on January 1, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3514**      Title: County VP Statements      Subject: Elections  
Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act directs a county clerk to publish a voters' pamphlet for certain elections. The Act directs a county clerk to publish an official tally of votes at least two times on the day of certain elections. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.3).

Requires the county clerk to publish a county voters' pamphlet for any primary and general election.

Requires the county clerk to publish at least two unofficial tallies of votes on the day of each primary election and general election.

**Bill #: HB 3516**      Title: Safety Study      Subject: Labor  
Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act tells the AG to study issues about following state laws related to workplace safety and health. The Act requires a report to be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.0).

Requires the Attorney General to study matters relating to state laws affecting safety and health in places of employment. Directs the Attorney General to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.

Sunset on January 2, 2027.



**Bill #: HB 3518**      Title: A&T Doc Recording Fee      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would raise the county recording fee that goes to the County Assessment and Taxation Fund. The Act would index that fee to inflation. The Act would send a set percentage of all property tax moneys other than bond levies to the same fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.1).  
 Increases the county recording fee that is credited to the County Assessment and Taxation Fund and indexes the fee to inflation. Provides that a certain percentage of all tax moneys other than bond levy moneys be deposited in the same fund. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3562**      Title: School Emergency Maps      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Directs schools to prepare school maps for use by local and state first responders. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.8).  
 Directs schools to prepare school maps for use by local and state public safety agencies responsible for emergency services at the school. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3625**      Title: Call for Service Charges      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act says that a public safety agency can charge a fee to an entity that uses a lot of services. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).  
 Allows a public safety agency to charge fees to an entity that overuses the public safety services of the agency. Allows the public safety agency to request that the governing body of the jurisdiction in which the entity is located issue a notice to the entity about the overuse of public safety services. Requires the governing body to allow the entity an opportunity to cure the overuse. Allows the governing body to petition the Secretary of State to take action against the entity for failure to cure the overuse. Requires a public safety agency that imposes fees to annually report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to public safety. Sunsets on January 2, 2031.

**Bill #: HB 3641**      Title: Ballot Harvesting      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act says that a person may not deliver the ballot of another person. The Act has exceptions. The Act imposes specified fines for a violation. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 Prohibits an individual from collecting and returning a ballot of another individual, subject to specified exceptions. Imposes a fine of \$2,500 per ballot for a person other than an individual that illegally collects and returns the ballot of an individual and a fine of \$500 per ballot for an individual who illegally collects and returns the ballot of a different individual.

**Bill #: HB 3656**      Title: Local Option Elections      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act would make it so that elections for local option taxes must be held on the date of a general election in an even-numbered year. The Act would make an exception for certain measures to extend a current local option tax. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 Provides that elections on local option tax measures shall be held only on the date of general elections in even-numbered years, with one exception for certain measures seeking to extend current local option taxes. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3685**      Title: Local Option BMs      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act would have ballot titles include the effects of proposed local option tax measures. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 Requires ballot title statements to include certain information regarding the effects of proposed local option tax measures.

**Bill #: HB 3686**      Title: Constitutional Votes      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act sets the date and the process for a special election in the late fall of 2025 for electors to vote on a proposed change in the law. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
 Establishes the date and process for a special election to be held on November 4, 2025, for electors to approve or reject a proposed constitutional amendment that would require future constitutional amendments or revisions to obtain a three-fifths majority vote of the votes cast for adoption. Appropriates moneys to pay direct expenses incurred by the state to hold the special election.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3714**      Title: County Elections      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules with subsequent referral to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act gives money to counties for local elections. The Act gives money to the SOS for a civic engagement toolkit. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.2).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to counties for elections infrastructure.  
 Appropriates moneys to the Secretary of State for a civic engagement toolkit.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 3720**      Title: Open Labor Negotiations      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act makes laws that would create open meeting requirements for certain labor negotiations. The Act would take effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.2).  
 Requires labor negotiations conducted by or on behalf of public bodies to be conducted in open meetings.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3723**      Title: Motor Voter Repeal      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act ends the transfer of voter registration data from ODOT and the OHA to the SOS. The Act ends voter registration for those who are at least 16 years old. The Act declares an emergency and becomes law when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.8).  
 Repeals the automatic transfer of voter registration information from the Department of Transportation and the Oregon Health Authority to the Secretary of State. Repeals the process for registration of those persons who are at least 16 years of age.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3743**      Title: Radio Tower Backup      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: Makes a radio tower have a backup power system that can provide power for two weeks. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
 Requires a radio tower to have an emergency backup power system that can provide 14 days of backup power.

**Bill #: HB 3750**      Title: WCB for BOLI      Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act would let the duty-related costs of the head of BOLI be paid out of the Workers' Benefit Fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.0).  
 Authorizes the payment out of the Workers' Benefit Fund of the expenses of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries in carrying out the commissioner's statutory duties.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3755**      Title: Senior P Tax Reduction      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would grant a tax break for the owner-occupied homes of people who are at least 65 years old, have resided in the home for at least 10 years and have a household income of not more than \$150,000 a year. The Act would increase the tax break by five percentage points each year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.0).  
 Creates a property tax exemption for the owner-occupied principal dwelling of seniors who are at least 65 years of age, have resided in the dwelling for at least 10 years and have a household income not greater than \$150,000 per year. Provides an exemption of the assessed value of the homestead in annually increasing increments of five percentage points.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3778** Title: OSHA Plan Withdrawal

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act directs the DCBS to obtain approval from federal OSHA to withdraw the state plan. The Act repeals the statutes that implemented the state plan. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.3).  
Directs the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services to notify the United States Secretary of Labor of the intent to withdraw the federally approved state plan.  
The Act forbids the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services to adopt or enforce any rule, regulation or standard that is more stringent than any federal occupational health and safety rule, regulation or standard adopted under the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act.  
Becomes operative on December 1, 2026, or 60 days after the date on which the United States Secretary of Labor approves the withdrawal of the state plan.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: HB 3789** Title: Union Impersonation

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes it unlawful for a person to falsely impersonate a union representative. The Act says that the union has the sole right to decide its own representatives based on its own rules. The Act allows a union to file a lawsuit against a person who breaks the law. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
[Digest: The Act makes it unlawful for a person to falsely impersonate a union representative. The Act says that a union can keep a list of union representatives. The Act sets fines for breaking the law. The Act allows a union to file a lawsuit against a person who breaks the law. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).]  
Makes it unlawful to falsely impersonate a union representative.  
Provides that a labor organization shall have, as a matter of internal governance, the sole authority to identify and designate the union representatives associated with the labor organization.  
Provides a cause of action for a union representative alleging a violation of the prohibition against falsely impersonating a union representative.  
[Authorizes civil penalties for violations.]  
[Permits labor organizations to maintain a list of verifiable union representatives.]

**Bill #: HB 3823** Title: Solar Exemption

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would give a property tax break to a business that generated or stored energy for its own use. The Act would exclude utilities from the tax break. The Act would give a property tax break for property installed at a residence to generate or store energy for use there. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
Exempts from property taxes personal property used by a business to generate or store energy for consumption by the business on its premises. Provides that the exemption does not apply to the personal property of utility businesses. Exempts from property taxes property installed at a residence to generate or store energy for consumption at the residence.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3843** Title: State Financial Admin RC

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act tells DAS to do a study on state financial administration. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study state financial administration. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to ways and means not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: HB 3872** Title: Vote By Mail Repeal

Subject: Election  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Makes voting in person the normal method for voting. Requires voters to show picture ID when voting or requesting a ballot. Refers the Act to the people at the next general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
Makes in-person voting on the date of an election the standard method for conducting an election. Allows an elector to request a ballot that may be voted by mail if the elector is unable to vote in person on the date of the election. Retains vote by mail as the primary method for conducting elections for military and overseas electors and for electors who have a mailing address outside of Oregon.  
Requires electors to present valid government-issued identification when appearing in-person to vote or when requesting a ballot be sent by mail. Requires all ballots to be returned by the date of an election.  
Removes a requirement that the state pay postage for ballots returned by mail.  
Refers the Act to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: HB 3879**      Title: State Financial Admin RC      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Emergency Management, General Government, and Veterans.

Digest: The Act makes several changes to the way the state budget is constructed. It sets up a detailed process for making an outcomes-based budget. It requires reports of vacant positions. It requires a budget stress test. It requires zero-based budgeting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Directs the Governor and Legislative Assembly, in developing an outcomes-based budget, to use a process to establish the priorities of state government.  
 Requires state agencies to report to the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services when any budgeted position is vacant for at least six months. Prohibits filling of a vacant position if the director determines that insufficient reasons exist for retaining the position.  
 Directs the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, in coordination with the Legislative Fiscal Officer and the Legislative Revenue Officer, to prepare a biennial budget stress test report that estimates the effects on state finances of negative economic conditions.  
 Declares the policy of the state to use zero-based budgeting in developing biennial budgets. Requires state agencies to include information justifying all proposed expenditures in agency request budgets.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3882**      Title: Revenue RC      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that ODOT must study ways to fund the transportation system in this state. The Act says ODOT must report to the JCT. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.4).  
 Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to transportation funding and present the results of the study to the Joint Committee on Transportation.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3883**      Title: Public Comment Required      Subject: Public Meetings  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: This Act makes public bodies provide for a period of public comment at the start of each meeting. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.3).  
 Requires public meetings to include a time for public comments at the start of each public meeting.

**Bill #: HB 3886**      Title: Supervisor Labor RC      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Workplace Standards.

Digest: The Act modifies a defined term with respect to PECBA. The Act sets limits on the makeup of certain collective bargaining units. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.0).  
 Modifies the definition of "supervisory employee" to exclude certain strike-prohibited public employees. Limits the permissible composition of certain bargaining units.

**Bill #: HB 3900**      Title: Mortgage Deductions      Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Housing and Homelessness with subsequent referral to Revenue.

Digest: The Act says a taxpayer must pay income tax on interest paid on a loan for a second or third or additional home. The Act says some taxpayers must pay income tax on some or all interest paid on loans for a principal home. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.1).  
 Disallows, for purposes of personal income taxation, the mortgage interest deduction for a residence other than the taxpayer's principal residence, unless the taxpayer sells the residence or actively markets the residence for sale. Phases out the allowable deduction for the interest for a principal residence based upon income. Disallows a deduction for a principal residence above the threshold income amount.  
 Establishes the Oregon Housing Opportunity Account. Transfers an amount equal to the estimated increase in revenue attributable to restrictions on the deduction of mortgage interest to the account.  
 Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: HB 3926** Title: Missing Persons

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells OHA to create a way for families to exchange messages with their missing family members. The Act does not force contact among family members. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.5).  
 [Digest: The Act directs DSP to create a way for families to exchange messages with their missing family members. The Act would not force contact among family members. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.5).]  
 [Directs the Department of State Police to create the SIGNAL program (State Initiated Guidance for Notifying and Assisting the Lost).] Directs the Oregon Health Authority to create the Call Your Mom Program. Provides a way for a parent or former guardian of a missing [person] family member between 18 years of age and 30 years of age to exchange messages with the missing family member. Requires behavioral health treatment or rehabilitation organizations to determine at intake whether an individual is a missing family member whose parent or former guardian has submitted a message to the program and provide information necessary to access and respond to the message. Provides that participation in the program is voluntary for a missing family member and a parent or former guardian. Requires the [department] authority to destroy all information and materials received under the program within specified time limits.

**Bill #: HB 3930** Title: Public Official Donations

Subject: Gen Gov  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act says that certain public officials may take donations for certain emergency costs. The Act tells the SOS to post certain documents on the Internet. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.2).  
 Permits a public official to establish a specific purpose account for purposes of expending donations of funds to the account for specified emergency expenses. Requires the public official to submit certain notices and reports to the Secretary of State regarding donations to and expenditures from the account. Requires the Secretary of State to make any notice or report filed with the secretary for a special purpose account available to the public on the electronic filing system maintained by the secretary.

**Bill #: HB 3945** Title: OGEC Changes

Subject: Ethics  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act makes changes to the OGEC's duties and number of members. The Act states whether some situations may be ethics violations. The Act allows local government officials to vote on changes to pay and stipends. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.0).  
 Limits duties of the Oregon Government Ethics Commission in conducting investigations, making findings and imposing penalties regarding violations of quorum requirements in public meetings law to intentional violations. Provides that the use of serial electronic written communication among members of a governing body within a 30-day period may constitute a meeting of a governing body subject to public meetings law if other specified conditions are satisfied. Exempts from the prohibition on the use of official positions or office to obtain financial gain or avoid financial detriment any legal expenses incurred by a public official or governmental agency for specified purposes. Permits local government officials to vote on matters related to official compensation. Increases the size of the commission to 11 members and requires the Governor to appoint two practicing attorneys to the commission.

**Bill #: HB 3962** Title: Local Tax Study

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells the LRO to study local taxation. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study issues of local taxation. Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2026.

**Bill #: HB 5006** Title: EBoard Budget

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act budgets money for the Emergency Board. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Emergency Board for allocations during the biennium.  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to specified state agencies for biennial expenses.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5008** Title: ERB Budget

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Employment Relations Board for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the board.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the board from moneys received from assessments against state agencies.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #:** [HB 5009](#)      **Title:** ODFW Budget

**Subject:** Budgets  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife for certain biennial expenses.  
 Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and federal funds from the Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund, but excluding lottery funds and other federal funds, collected or received by the department.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the department from lottery moneys for certain purposes.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds for certain purposes.  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Emergency Board for allocation to the department.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #:** [HB 5015](#)      **Title:** BOLI Budget

**Subject:** Budgets  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Informational Meeting held.

**Digest:** The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Bureau of Labor and Industries for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the bureau.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the bureau from the Wage Security Fund.  
 Authorizes specified nonlimited expenditures.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the bureau from federal funds.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the bureau from certain lottery moneys.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #:** [HB 5021](#)      **Title:** Marine Board Budget

**Subject:** Budgets  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Work Session scheduled.

**Digest:** The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the State Marine Board.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the board from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #:** [HB 5024](#)      **Title:** OBDD Budget

**Subject:** Budgets  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Informational Meeting held.

**Digest:** The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Business Development Department for certain biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the department for certain purposes.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the department from specified funds for specified purposes.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the department from lottery moneys for certain purposes.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds for certain purposes.  
 Authorizes certain nonlimited expenditures.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #:** [HB 5033](#)      **Title:** DPSST Budget

**Subject:** Budgets  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act approves agency fees. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.4).  
 Approves certain new or increased fees adopted by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5039** Title: Watershed Enhancement Board Budget Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board for certain biennial expenses.  
 Directs board to allocate moneys from the Watershed Conservation Operating Fund to various state agencies to implement Article XV, section 4b, of the Oregon Constitution.  
 Limits biennial expenditures by the board from federal funds and lottery moneys.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the board.  
 Directs the board to establish by rule a process for allocating available moneys in the Natural Resources Subaccount of the Parks and Natural Resources Fund.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5040** Title: Watershed Enhancement Board Budget Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Limits expenditures of lottery funds from the Watershed Conservation Grant Fund for local grant expenditures by the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board for a six-year period beginning July 1, 2025.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5042** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Assigned to Subcommittee On Education.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5043** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5044** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5045** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5046**      Title: Blank Budget Bill      Subject: Budgets  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5047**      Title: Blank Budget Bill      Subject: Budgets  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Governor signed.

Digest: The Act budgets money for the Summer Learning Grant program. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
 [Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).]  
 [Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.]  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Education and limits expenditures from the Summer Learning Grant Program Fund.  
 Declares an emergency, effective [July 1, 2025] on passage.

**Bill #: HB 5048**      Title: Blank Budget Bill      Subject: Budgets  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: HB 5049**      Title: Blank Budget Bill      Subject: Budgets  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Governor signed.

Digest: The Act changes the allocation of money from certain funds. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 [Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).]  
 [Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.]  
 Modifies amounts of lottery moneys allocated from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund.  
 Modifies amounts allocated from the Criminal Fine Account.  
 Modifies amounts allocated from the Oregon Marijuana Account.  
 Directs the Department of Revenue to reduce distributions from the Criminal Fine Account if there is a revenue shortfall.  
 Declares an emergency, effective [July 1, 2025] on passage.

**Bill #: HB 5050**      Title: Blank Budget Bill      Subject: Budgets  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Governor signed.

Digest: The Act changes the amounts authorized for bonding. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 [Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).]  
 [Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.]  
 Modifies the amounts authorized for issuance of general obligation bonds in the 2023-2025 biennium.  
 Declares an emergency, effective [July 1, 2025] on passage.



**Bill #: HB 5051** Title: Blank Budget Bill

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Governor signed.

Digest: The Act changes the amounts that can be spent for certain capital construction costs. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 [Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).]  
 [Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.]  
 [Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.]  
 Modifies the amounts authorized for certain capital construction costs.  
 Declares an emergency, effective [July 1, 2025] on passage.

**Bill #: HCR 2** Title: PFAS and Turnouts

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Filed with Secretary of State.

Digest: Declares the urgent need to find safer gear for firefighters. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 Declares a commitment to the health and safety of firefighters and to finding an urgent solution to the problem of firefighting personal protective gear that contains cancer-causing chemicals.

**Bill #: HCR 15** Title: 2025 Session Deadlines

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Filed with Secretary of State.

Digest: The measure sets dates for when bills must move through the Senate and the House during the 2025 session. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
 Establishes deadlines for the completion of legislative measures for the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly.

**Bill #: HJR 2** Title: Local Government Mandates

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure would change the rules for when state government must pay for local mandates. Requires voter approval. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.8).  
 Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to change the requirements governing when the State of Oregon must appropriate or allocate sufficient moneys to pay for new or newly expanded programs that state laws, rules or orders require local governments to provide. Expands the definition of "local government" to include special districts. Eliminates some exceptions to required state funding, including an exception when the Legislative Assembly enacts the mandate by at least a three-fifths majority vote. Establishes new exceptions for programs and expansions that enhance public meeting or public record transparency or that permit new protections, rights, benefits or programs governing the employment status of local government employees, retirees or local government employee organizations to be adopted without corresponding funding.  
 Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election.

**Bill #: HJR 6** Title: \$1 P Tax for Emergency Resilience

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure asks voters to impose a tax on property to pay for projects to reduce risks from disasters. The tax would end after 20 years. The measure asks voters to say yes or no at the next general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.7).  
 Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution imposing a tax on property, providing that the tax is not subject to specified other constitutional limits on property taxes, providing that revenues from the tax must be deposited in an emergency resilience fund, providing that moneys in the fund may be used only for emergency resilience projects, and repealing these provisions on June 30, 2046.  
 Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: HJR 7** Title: State Bank

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure amends a section of the Constitution to make it clear that the state may start a public bank. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.3).  
 Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to specify that a section restricting certain banks does not prohibit the establishment of a bank owned or operated by the State of Oregon.  
 Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: HJR 8** Title: 25-cent P Tax for Public Safety

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act would put in the constitution a state tax on property to fund public safety. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6). Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution requiring the Legislative Assembly to create an administrative authority for funding public safety in this state. Directs the Legislative Assembly to impose a state property tax to fund public safety in this state. Allows the Legislative Assembly to delegate to the administrative authority the authority to implement the tax. Provides that the tax would not be subject to Article XI, section 11, of the Oregon Constitution (Ballot Measure 50) (1997), or Article XI, section 11b, of the Oregon Constitution (Ballot Measure 5) (1990). Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: HJR 12** Title: State Bank Formation

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure amends a section of the Constitution to make it clear that the state may start a public bank. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.3). Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to specify that a section restricting certain banks does not prohibit the establishment of a bank owned or operated by the State of Oregon. Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: HJR 14** Title: Legislative Walkouts

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure removes the language that would disqualify a member of the LA for being absent 10 or more times. The measure requires voter approval. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1). Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to remove the provision that disqualifies a member of the Legislative Assembly from holding office for the term following the election after the member's current term is completed if the member fails to attend 10 or more legislative floor sessions without permission or excuse. Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SB 49** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: This Act adds two members to the Building Codes Structures Board. (Flesch Readability Score: 87.9). [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).] [Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.] Adds two members to the Building Codes Structures Board and adds two professions that the board members must represent.

**Bill #: SB 50** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: This Act lets OHCS use LIFT moneys for Metro counties to buy apartments for low-cost housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9). [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).] [Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.] Allows the Housing and Community Services Department to use certain moneys in the Local Innovation and Fast Track Housing Program Fund set aside to purchase multifamily housing to convert to affordable housing. Sunsets June 30, 2027. Updates sources of the fund. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 100** Title: Cargo Container Property Tax Exemption

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would extend the sunset date for the tax exemption for cargo containers. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7). Extends the sunset date for the property tax exemption for cargo containers. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 259** Title: Use of Public Lands

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act requires DLCD to study the public use of lands. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.3). Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to study the public use of lands and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to land use no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 674** Title: Columbia River water use Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to allow the use of water from the Columbia River at a certain rate. The Act tells agencies to grant easements to help the use occur. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.2).  
 Instructs the Water Resources Commission to allow the appropriation of water from the mainstem of the Columbia River at a total rate and duty of two percent of average annual flow.  
 Requires state agencies to convey easements to facilitate the appropriation of water from the mainstem of the Columbia River.

**Bill #: SB 714** Title: Columbia Corridor Levee Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would let lottery bonds be sold to fund flood safety projects on certain parts of the Columbia. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
 Authorizes the issuance of lottery bonds to fund Columbia corridor flood safety projects in Multnomah County.

**Bill #: SB 5531** Title: Lottery Bonding Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Assigned to Subcommittee On Capital Construction.

Digest: The Act governs lottery bonds. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.4).  
 Modifies the amount and purposes of lottery bonds authorized to be issued for specified state agencies.  
 Authorizes the issuance of various other lottery bonds.  
 Establishes funds, or provides for deposit of moneys into existing funds, and appropriates moneys for projects financed.  
 Provides that the State Treasurer may not issue certain lottery bonds unless the Oregon Department of Administrative Services determines that the recipient is ready to expend the proceeds for authorized uses.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 13** Title: Licensing Requirements Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Says that a board that issues job licenses must let a person who wants one to show job experience instead of schooling if the license needs a high school diploma. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Requires a professional licensing board to consider experience in lieu of a high school diploma or an equivalent for licensure, certification or other authorization to provide certain occupational or professional services.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 26** Title: Environmental Health Study Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: This Act tells the DEQ to study environmental health. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).  
 Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study environmental health. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 31** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: This Act lets OHCS give grants to tenants whose public housing is terminated. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
 [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
 [Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 Authorizes the Housing and Community Services Department to provide grants to support tenants of publicly supported housing when the housing's affordability restrictions are terminated. Establishes the Expiring Affordable Housing Tenant Support Fund.  
 Appropriates moneys for deposit into the fund.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 32** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: This Act makes OHCS post data on low-income public housing on its webpage. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
 [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
 [Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to post information about publicly supported housing on the department's webpage.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 43** Title: Waste Management RC Subject: Environment Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: This Act requires the DEQ to study waste management. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).  
 Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study waste management. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 44** Title: Elections RC Subject: Elections Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: Tells the Secretary of State to study voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Requires the Secretary of State to study elections. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 45** Title: Elections RC Subject: Elections Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Tells the Secretary of State to study voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Requires the Secretary of State to study elections. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 46** Title: Ethics RC Subject: Ethics Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Tells the OGECE to study ethics. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Requires the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to study government ethics. Directs the commission to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to government ethics not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 48** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: The Act would change how cities may amend their UGBs. The Act would let cities and counties pay back Housing and Community Services Department loans made in a certain program to fund affordable and middle housing from sources other than developer fees. The Act would let the cities and counties make loans as well as award grants to developers in the program. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).  
 [Digest: This Act amends laws about home siting and construction. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).]  
 Limits to within an urban growth boundary a dwelling developer's ability to apply updated land use regulations to pending application.  
 Amends the temporary urban growth boundary expansion program.  
 Allows cities and counties in a certain funding program for affordable and middle housing to repay loans made to them by the Housing and Community Services Department from sources other than developer fees. Allows the cities and counties to make loans as well as award grants to developers.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 51** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: This Act makes OHCS fund property management for low income homes and create a program to preserve low income homes. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
 [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
 [Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.]  
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to distribute funds to the Housing Development Center, Inc. to support affordable housing property management. Sunsets June 30, 2027.  
 Requires the department to implement a program advancing culturally responsive property management services.  
 Requires the department to establish a program to coordinate responses to, and to report on, preservation of affordable housing, including manufactured dwelling parks and marinas.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 52** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: This Act tells LPRO to study affordable housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).]  
 Requires the [Housing and Community Services Department] Legislative Policy and Research Director to study affordable housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by [September] August 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 53** Title: Housing RC Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to study housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 90.9).  
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 60** Title: OTCA Relating Clause Subject: Insurance Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act says that claims about child abuse are not subject to the notice requirement of the OTCA. The Act revives some claims. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.4).  
 Exempts claims based on conduct that constitutes child abuse, or conduct that constitutes knowingly allowing, permitting or encouraging child abuse, from the notice requirement of the Oregon Tort Claims Act.  
 Revives certain causes of action barred because of the notice requirement or the statute of limitations or repose. Requires a revived claim to be filed within two years after the effective date of the Act.

**Bill #: SB 65** Title: Civil Right Violations Subject: Insurance Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: The Act lets a person whose civil rights have been violated by a person acting under the color of law sue for damages and other relief. The Act lets a plaintiff who wins this type of suit recover attorney fees. The Act lets a defendant who wins this type of suit recover attorney fees if the plaintiff's claim was frivolous. (Flesch Readability Score 62.7).  
 Allows a person who has been deprived of rights, privileges or immunities secured by the Oregon Constitution or the laws of this state by a person acting under color of law to bring a civil action for economic and noneconomic damages and for injunctive or other equitable relief.  
 Provides for the award of attorney fees and costs to a prevailing plaintiff, or to a prevailing defendant if the court finds that a plaintiff's claim was frivolous, unreasonable or without foundation.

**Bill #: SB 66** Title: Economic Development RC Subject: Economic Development Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would let Business Oregon take stock of loans and grants made by the state to develop the economy. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
 Authorizes the Oregon Business Development Department to survey state loan and grant programs for economic development.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 67** Title: Family Medical Leave Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to paid family and medical leave. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
 Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to the family and medical leave insurance program. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 68** Title: Protected Unpaid Leave RC Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells BOLI to study matters relating to unpaid, job-protected leave from work. The Act tells BOLI to submit a report by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.7).  
 Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study matters relating to laws concerning unpaid, job-protected leave. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 69** Title: Job Protected Leave Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Second reading.

Digest: The Act makes changes to laws concerning job-protected time off from work. The Act takes effect 91 days after adjournment sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.7).  
 [Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to job-protected time of from work. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).]  
 [Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to laws concerning job-protected leave from work. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
 Specifies that the Bureau of Labor and Industries is responsible for certain administrative and regulatory oversight regarding certain provisions under the laws governing paid family and medical leave that relate to retaliation and discrimination. Directs the bureau to adopt any rules that are necessary to administer those provisions.  
 Tolls the applicable statute of limitations periods for administrative complaints and civil actions alleging certain violations when a claimant has filed an appeal for review of a decision of the Director of the Employment Department.  
 Makes changes relating to the use of unpaid leave to care for a child who requires home care due to certain circumstances.  
 Permits the Employment Department to disclose certain information to employers to the extent necessary to allow the employer to make a determination regarding wage replacement amounts that have been received by employees.  
 Permits employers to require of an employee returning to work after a period of medical leave a certification from the employee's health care provider that the employee is able to resume work.  
 Clarifies that the qualifying purposes for paid family and medical leave benefits constitute permissible uses for sick leave.  
 Exempts certain flight crew employees from the eligibility requirements for unpaid leave when certain conditions are met.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 70** Title: BOLI RC Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act tells BOLI to study matters related to the laws that BOLI enforces. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).  
 Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study matters relating to laws over which the bureau has enforcement authority.  
 Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 71** Title: Employment RC Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to employment. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.2).  
 Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to employment. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 73**      Title: Rezoning Farm and Forrest lands      Subject: Land Use  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: This Act limits rezoning of farm and forest lands. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
 Restricts methods by which lands zoned for farm, forest or mixed farm and forest use may be redesignated for nonresource use.

**Bill #: SB 74**      Title: Navigability RC      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act makes changes to how DSL can find the state's interest in waterways that are navigable. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
 [Digest: This Act tells the DSL to study how to determine that a waterway is navigable. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).]  
 [Requires the Department of State Lands to study determinations of navigability on Oregon waterways. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
 Authorizes the Department of State Lands to find in a navigability determination draft report that the state's interest in the waterway extends to the current submerged and submersible lands within the waterway. Authorizes the department to negotiate with property owners affected by the finding and convey mineral and geothermal resource rights in a negotiated exchange of deeds. Requires the department to determine the state's interest in portions of the waterway according to principles of accretion and avulsion if the department is unable to reach an agreement with affected property owners.

**Bill #: SB 75**      Title: Wildfire Hazards for dwelling      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act strikes fire hazards requirements for rural second homes. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 [Digest: The Act updates wildfire hazard language for rural homes. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).]  
 [Defines "high wildfire hazard area"] Removes requirements related to wildfire hazards for purposes of developing an accessory dwelling unit on lands zoned for rural residential uses or a replacement dwelling on lands zoned for resource uses.

**Bill #: SB 76**      Title: Groundwater Permits for Ag      Subject: Water  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study certain aspects of some groundwater permits. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.4).  
 Directs the Water Resources Department to study groundwater permit requirements for small agricultural parcels. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 80**      Title: Water Quality CAFOs      Subject: Wastewater  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act prohibits the DEQ from giving a water permit to some CAFOs that are in a managed ground water area. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).  
 Prohibits the Department of Environmental Quality from issuing a water quality permit to certain confined animal feeding operations located in a ground water management area.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 82**      Title: Wildfire Risk Grants      Subject: Public Safety  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act makes changes related to consulting on a grant process. The Act makes changes related to a program to reduce wildfire risk. The Act gives money as a match for certain funds. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.1).  
 Makes changes to consultations that are required for a certain grant process.  
 Makes certain changes related to a program to reduce wildfire risk.  
 Appropriates moneys out of the General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for funding certain grant-supported projects.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage..

**Bill #: SB 83** Title: Wildfire Risk Reduction

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes changes related to reducing wildfire risk. The Act makes changes related to fire protection. The Act takes effect when signed. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.3).  
 [Digest: The Act makes changes related to reducing wildfire risk. The Act makes changes related to fire protection. The Act gives money as a match for certain funds. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.3).]  
 [Makes changes related to building code standards for wildfire hazard mitigation.]  
 [Makes changes to consultations that are required for a certain grant process.]  
 [Makes changes related to fire protection for lands outside of forest protection districts.]  
 [Makes certain changes related to a program to reduce wildfire risk.]  
 [Appropriates moneys out of the General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for funding certain grant-supported projects.]  
 Eliminates certain building code standards and mapping requirements for wildfire hazard mitigation.  
 Directs the State Fire Marshal to develop a model code for defensible space to reduce wildfire risk.  
 Modifies the membership of the Wildfire Programs Advisory Council.  
 Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services to adopt certain wildfire hazard mitigation code standards.  
 Voids the State Forestry Department orders that had assigned property to a wildfire hazard zone.  
 Makes changes to certain wildfire risk reduction reports that certain state agencies are required to prepare.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 84** Title: Wildfire Local Authority

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: Tells a city or county that went by earlier building code rules to protect houses against wild fires that the city or county can still use the earlier rules even if the state makes new rules. Says that the city or county shall keep using the rules that it used before. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.1).  
 Exempts local governments that adopted and continue to enforce certain wildfire hazard mitigation standards from the application of state standards that are based on specified wildfire hazard classes.

**Bill #: SB 85** Title: Wildfire Risk Reduction

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells certain state agencies, in consult with the insurance sector, to study and suggest ways to reduce wildfire risks. The Act tells the agencies to report on these topics to the legislature by a stated date. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 [Digest: The Act directs the State Fire Marshal to create a grant program to help property owners with wildfire resilience. The Act creates a fund related to the grant program. The Act directs the State Fire Marshal to report on the grant program. The Act directs agencies to plan for a program for certifying reduced wildfire risk for insurance purposes. The Act gives moneys to the State Fire Marshal for the grant program. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.9).]  
 [Directs the State Fire Marshal to establish a neighborhood protection cooperative grant program.]  
 [Establishes the Neighborhood Protection Cooperative Grant Program Fund.]  
 [Directs the Department of the State Fire Marshal to include status reports on the program in certain biannual reports.]  
 [Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services, the Department of the State Fire Marshal and the State Forestry Department to develop a plan and implementation timeline for establishing an insurance-related risk reduction certification program and report on the program on or before December 1, 2026.]  
 [Appropriates moneys to the State Fire Marshal, out of the General Fund, for implementing the neighborhood protection cooperative grant program.]  
 Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services and the Department of the State Fire Marshal, in consultation with the State Forestry Department and the insurance industry, to evaluate and develop recommendations for community-based wildfire risk mitigation to reduce wildfire risks and increase insurance affordability and availability. Directs that a report be prepared and submitted to the Legislative Assembly on or before February 2, 2026, containing recommendations and other specified information.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 86** Title: Multiemployer sick time policies

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act clarifies the law with respect to the sick time provided under certain benefit plans. The Act takes effect 91 days following adjournment sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.2).  
 Provides clarification regarding multiemployer exceptions from state laws governing sick leave.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.



**Bill #: SB 91** Title: Firefighting PFAS Foam Ban

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Second reading.

Digest: This Act stops fire departments from using PFAS firefighting foam. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 [Digest: This Act prohibits the sale, use and disposal in certain places of firefighting foam with PFAS in it. The Act tells the EQC to ensure the safe collection and disposal of firefighting foam with PFAS in it. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.8).]  
 [Prohibits the sale and use of firefighting foam containing perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). Prohibits the disposal of firefighting foam containing PFAS at certain facilities. Provides that prohibitions become operative on January 1, 2026.]  
 [Requires the Environmental Quality Commission to establish a program to ensure the safe collection and disposal of firefighting foam containing PFAS.]  
 [Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.]  
 Prohibits fire departments from using firefighting foam containing perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).  
 Becomes operative on July 1, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 99** Title: Brownfield Property Tax Sunset

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Informational Meeting held.

Digest: The Act would extend the sunset of certain property tax breaks for brownfields. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
 Extends the sunset for the property tax incentive benefit programs for brownfields and property on brownfields.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 104** Title: Property Tax Exemption for housing

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would extend the property tax break for low income housing owned by a nonprofit. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Extends the sunset date for the property tax exemption for nonprofit corporation low income housing.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 105** Title: Tax Compliance in Contracting

Subject: Public Contracting  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: Says that people who get public contracts must obey the tax laws of the state, cities and counties and must show proof of compliance with the tax laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.6).  
 Requires public contractors to demonstrate and maintain tax compliance as a condition of the execution of a public contract.  
 Applies to public contracts executed on or after the effective date of the Act.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 107** Title: Transportation Revenue RC

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue, then Transportation.

Digest: The Act would have the Legislative Revenue Officer study transportation taxes in this state. The Act would have the officer submit a report on the study that suggests changes that might be made to the tax laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study transportation taxes in Oregon. Directs the officer to submit a report, with recommendations for legislation, to the Legislative Assembly not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 114** Title: Property Tax Study

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would require a study of the property tax system in this state. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.3).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the property tax system in this state. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 115** Title: Revenue RC

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would require a study of revenue in this state. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study revenue in this state. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

<b>Bill #:</b> SB 116	<b>Title:</b> State Finance RC	<b>Subject:</b> Finance & Tax	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Referred to Finance and Revenue.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act directs the LRO to study the state financial system. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6). Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the state financial system. Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2026.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 117	<b>Title:</b> Vertical Housing Sunset Extension	<b>Subject:</b> Finance & Tax	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Public Hearing held.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act would extend the partial tax break for vertical housing projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7). Extends the sunset date for the partial property tax exemption for the property of vertical housing development projects. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 118	<b>Title:</b> Multiunit Property Tax Extension	<b>Subject:</b> Finance & Tax	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Public Hearing held.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act would extend the property tax break for multiunit rental housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). Extends the sunset date for the property tax exemption for multiunit rental housing. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 120	<b>Title:</b> Tax Expenditures	<b>Subject:</b> Finance & Tax	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Referred to Tax Expenditures by order of the President.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act directs the LRO to study tax expenditures. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1). Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study tax expenditures. Directs the Legislative Revenue Officer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue not later than December 1, 2026.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 127	<b>Title:</b> Wildfire Funding	<b>Subject:</b> Public Safety	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act tells an agency to study funding for programs about wildfire. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.7). Directs the State Forestry Department to study funding for wildfire-related programs. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 143	<b>Title:</b> Public Funds Study	<b>Subject:</b> Finance & Tax	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> HW
<b>Status:</b> Public Hearing Scheduled.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act tells the State Treasurer to study public funds. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.2). Requires the State Treasurer to study the administration of public funds. Directs the State Treasurer to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to ways and means not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets January 2, 2027.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 151	<b>Title:</b> Wage Theft	<b>Subject:</b> Labor	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Referred to Labor and Business.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act directs BOLI to conduct a wage theft study. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.2). Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study issues related to wage theft. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to labor and business not later than September 15, 2026.				
<b>Bill #:</b> SB 152	<b>Title:</b> Emergency Mgmt Study	<b>Subject:</b> Public Safety	<b>Position:</b>	<b>Staff:</b> ML
<b>Status:</b> Referred to Veterans, Emergency Management, Federal and World Affairs.				
<b>Digest:</b> The Act tells ODEM to do a study on emergency management. The Act tells ODEM to report on its study. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5). Requires the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study emergency management. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency management not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.				

**Bill #: SB 165** Title: Historically Filled Lands Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act amends and repeals laws about the State Land Board's power to claim title to historically filled lands. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
 Amends the requirements for the State Land Board to assert title to historically filled lands or assert a right to minerals or geothermal resources in historically filled lands. Repeals, on January 2, 2029, the provisions related to assertion of title to historically filled lands by the State Land Board that are required to be completed before December 31, 2025.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 179** Title: Recreational Immunity Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act makes permanent changes to the laws that shield landowners from lawsuits from visitors. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 Makes permanent the temporary changes made to the landowner immunity laws by chapter 64, Oregon Laws 2024. Extends local government immunity to explicitly include claims arising via the use of nonhorse equines.

**Bill #: SB 212** Title: Library Materials Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Education.

Digest: The Act would set up a ratings system for library materials based on the age of young library patrons and restrict access as guided by the ratings. The Act would require the State Librarian to keep a public list of the ratings. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 Establishes a ratings system for library materials available to young individuals based on appropriateness for different age groups. Requires public and school libraries to make library materials available only in accordance with the ratings. Directs the State Librarian to develop and maintain a public central list of the ratings.

**Bill #: SB 224** Title: Candidate Addresses Subject: Elections  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act keeps the SOS from posting the address of those persons who are linked to a political committee on the SOS website. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 [Digest: The Act keeps the SOS from posting the address of those persons who are linked to a campaign committee on the secretary's website. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).]  
 Prohibits the Secretary of State from publishing the residence address of certain individuals who are affiliated with a [candidate's principal campaign] political committee on the electronic filing system maintained by the secretary.

**Bill #: SB 227** Title: Wage Theft Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act directs BOLI to conduct a wage theft study. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.2).  
 Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study issues related to wage theft. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to labor and business not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 233** Title: Health Care Lawsuits Subject: Health Care  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act says a person can file a suit to get damages for removal of a hernia mesh that occurred at a certain time in the past. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.6).  
 [Digest: The Act gives people more time to file claims for injuries from health care. (Flesch Readability Score: 89.8).]  
 [Extends the statute of ultimate repose for claims for certain injuries from health care to 10 years from the date of the treatment, omission or operation upon which the action is based.]  
 [Applies retroactively to claims for which an action has not been commenced.]  
 Allows a person to file an action to recover damages for injuries arising from or in connection with removal of a hernia mesh that occurred on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2019.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 234** Title: Emergency Mgmt Study Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: Delays the date that ODEM starts to manage the emergency system known as OERS. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 [Digest: The Act tells ODEM to do a study on emergency management. The Act tells ODEM to report on its study. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).]  
 [Requires the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to study emergency management. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency management not later than September 15, 2026.]  
 [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]  
 Delays the date on which responsibility for management of the state multijurisdictional emergency notification system is transferred from the Department of State Police to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 269** Title: Traffic Offenses RC Subject: DUII  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells ODOT to do a study about traffic offenses and report back. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
 Directs the Department of Transportation to study issues related to traffic offenses and to report to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 271** Title: Public Safety Standards RC Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act tells DPSST to study public safety standards and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
 Requires the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to study public safety standards. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 282** Title: Environmental Health Study Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Health Care.

Digest: The Act would tell the OHA to study environmental health. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 Requires the Oregon Health Authority to study environmental health. Directs the authority to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 298** Title: Energy Development Tax Incentives Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would have LRO study tax incentives for energy development, storage and transmission in this state. The Act would require a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.5).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study tax incentives for energy development, storage and transmission in Oregon. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 301** Title: Boat Bill Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act tells the State Marine Board to study boat safety. The Act tells the board to make a report on the results of the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 86.2).  
 Requires the State Marine Board to study issues related to the safe operation of motorboats. Directs the board to submit findings to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 330** Title: Placement of Utility Lines Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Directs the PUC to adopt standards to require that power lines be placed underground. Provides for exceptions. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
 Directs the Public Utility Commission to adopt standards requiring the underground placement of electric power lines. Provides for exceptions.

**Bill #: SB 333** Title: Predator Damage Control Districts

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: The Act would let owners of land form a district in order to pay the costs to the county of staving off damage to their land caused by predators, by both nonlethal and lethal means. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
Authorizes landowners who meet certain criteria to petition for formation of a predator damage control district as a funding mechanism to pay the actual costs to the county of preventing, reducing and mitigating damage to property from predatory animals. Defines "prevent, reduce and mitigate damage to property from predatory animals" to include both nonlethal and lethal methods of prevention, reduction and mitigation. Establishes presumptive charges of \$2 per acre for tax lots of 10 or more acres and a \$50 flat rate charge for tax lots of less than 10 acres. Creates a cause of action under the district program for counties, landowners, districts and cities involved in the program.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 338** Title: Marine Sanctuary Approval

Subject: Ports  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: This Act tells the Gov. to tell a U.S. official that a marine sanctuary in this state will not be accepted unless the legislature signs off on it. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
Requires the Governor to certify to the United States Secretary of Commerce that the designation of a national marine sanctuary located within the seaward boundary of Oregon is unacceptable unless the Legislative Assembly confirms the designation.

**Bill #: SB 344** Title: Wildfire RC

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Judiciary, then Ways and Means.

Digest: This Act tells the Attorney General to sue the U.S. government if some wildfires that cause bad air quality start on U.S. land. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
Directs the Department of Environmental Quality to notify the Attorney General if the air quality index readings for an area of the state reach 250 or higher during seven consecutive days and the cause is believed to be a wildfire originating on lands owned by the United States.  
Directs the Attorney General to investigate and bring a civil action if the wildfire was caused by negligent or unlawful forest management practices.

**Bill #: SB 346** Title: Wildfire Pilot Program

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to create a pilot grant program for managing wildfire risk. The Act gives money for the program. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.4).  
Directs the State Forestry Department to establish by rule a pilot grant program for the purpose of managing wildfire risk by certain methods.  
Sunsets the grant program on June 30, 2027.  
Appropriates moneys to the department out of the General Fund for the purpose of funding the grant program.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 354** Title: Beaver Relocation

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act changes a program for voluntarily moving beavers. The Act makes the voluntary program include moving beavers from one part of this state to a different part of this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
Directs the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to include the relocation of beavers from western Oregon to central and eastern Oregon in a program for voluntarily relocating beavers.

**Bill #: SB 356** Title: Invasive Species Council

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act gives money to the Invasive Species Council. The Act describes how the money must be used. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.2).  
Appropriates moneys to the Invasive Species Council, out of the General Fund, for certain purposes.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 357** Title: Ports RC

Subject: Ports  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act allows ports to charge for the costs of removing sediment. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
Authorizes ports to assess public bodies for a portion of the costs of removing sediment from port waters.

**Bill #: SB 359** Title: Impacts of homeless camping Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: This Act says that any person can file a complaint for the DEQ to take action if homeless persons are putting waste into state waters. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.0).  
Authorizes any person to submit a complaint to the Department of Environmental Quality if the person reasonably believes that a camping site of homeless individuals is causing the discharge of wastes into state waters.  
Directs the department to remove individuals from the camping site and clean the camping site as necessary to protect state waters.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 360** Title: Battery operated pesticide application Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: This Act allows some workers to apply pesticides without a license if they use a device that runs on a battery. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
Creates a pesticide licensing exemption for certain employees using a battery-powered device to apply pesticides.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 362** Title: Water RC Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study rules about water. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.0).  
Directs the Water Resources Department to study rules related to water. Directs the department to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources not later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 365** Title: Wildfire RC Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells the Attorney General to help someone whose wine grapes were hurt by wildfire smoke. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.1).  
Directs the Attorney General to assist a person in recovering damages from the federal government when smoke from a wildfire on federal lands causes damages to the person's wine grape growing.

**Bill #: SB 369** Title: CPP Legislative Approval Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: The Act stops state agencies from doing things to reduce or stop greenhouse gases from entering the air in Oregon. (Flesch Readability Score 63.8).  
Prohibits the Governor and specified state agencies from taking measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon unless authorized by the Legislative Assembly by law enacted on or after the effective date of the Act.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 387** Title: Disabled Vet P Tax Exemption Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Informational Meeting held.

Digest: The Act would grant higher property tax breaks for disabled veterans and their spouses if they survive them. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).  
Grants higher property tax exemptions for the property of veterans with disabilities. Grants exemptions for a veteran's surviving spouse who remains unmarried.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 394** Title: CAT Tax Revenue for PERS Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act says that moneys from the CAT tax go to PERS to pay down the UAL, instead of to the Fund for Student Success, for 10 years. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.7).  
Provides that, for 10 years, revenues from the corporate activity tax are transferred to the Public Employees Retirement Fund for payment of the unfunded actuarial liability of the Public Employees Retirement System, instead of to the Fund for Student Success.

**Bill #: SB 397**      Title: Employer Time Rounding      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act changes laws with respect to employer time-clock rounding policies. The Act allows such practices to the extent they comply with federal law. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Provides that laws regarding employee entitlements for recovery of unpaid wages and penalties do not apply to wages and penalties lost as a result of an employer's time-rounding policies that comply with federal rounding standards.

**Bill #: SB 398**      Title: GHG Fees for Transpo      Subject: Transportation  
 Position:      Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: This Act says that fees from programs to reduce greenhouse gas must go to the State Highway Fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 85.1).  
 Requires state agencies that administer programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to deposit fees, assessments or other charges imposed pursuant to the program in the State Highway Fund.  
 Directs the Governor to include in the Governor's budget an estimate of the amounts to be transferred in the coming biennium and recommendations for alternative revenue sources.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 400**      Title: Removal-Fill Permit Exemption      Subject: General Gov  
 Position:      Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: This Act exempts removal or fill projects from needing a DSL permit if they get a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6).  
 Exempts removal-fill projects from the requirement to obtain a permit from the Department of State Lands if the person is required to and does obtain a permit from the United States Army Corps of Engineers.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 403**      Title: Postmarked Ballot Repeal      Subject: Elections  
 Position:      Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act requires ballots that are returned by mail to be received by the date of the election. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.5).  
 Requires that ballots that are returned by mail must be received by the date of the election.

**Bill #: SB 409**      Title: Carbon Sequestration      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

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.

**Bill #: SB 415**      Title: Zero Emission Incentives      Subject: Environment  
 Position:      Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: This Act tells the DEQ to study and make a report on incentives for vehicles with zero emissions. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).  
 Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study zero-emission vehicle incentives. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 423**      Title: Cash Payment Penalties      Subject: Retail  
 Position:      Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes BOLI study issues about penalties for violating certain laws that require certain places to accept cash as payment for goods and services. The Act tells BOLI to submit a report by a certain date. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).  
 Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study matters relating to penalties for violating requirements to accept cash as currency in places of public accommodation. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 425** Title: Merchant Fees Subject: Retail Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Says that a merchant cannot charge a fee to use a credit card or debit card if the merchant does not accept cash. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.8). Prohibits a merchant from charging or collecting a fee for a person's use of a credit card or debit card in payment for goods or services if the merchant does not accept payment for the goods or services in cash.

**Bill #: SB 426** Title: Unpaid Wages in construction Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes laws about unpaid wages for workers who work on construction projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7). Makes an owner and a direct contractor jointly and severally liable in a civil action for any unpaid wages owed to the unrepresented employees of the direct contractor and subcontractors at any tier. Provides the statute of limitations for actions regarding recovery for unpaid [and overtime] wages. Clarifies that the Attorney General may accept the assignment of claims and bring civil actions in the name of the State of Oregon on such claims. Permits the Attorney General to adopt rules regarding the assignment of claims. Requires notice to be sent by certified mail that informs the owner and the direct contractor of the alleged violation and specifies the time period within which the owner and the direct contractor may correct the alleged violation. Creates a rebuttable presumption that, in any action for unpaid wages, the person performing labor on a construction project is an employee. Provides that the party claiming otherwise may rebut the presumption by establishing that the person qualifies as an independent contractor. Provides that an owner may bring an action against a direct contractor to recover damages for amounts paid by the owner. Requires subcontractors to provide certain payroll records and other information to the owner or the direct contractor, upon request. Provides that subcontractors shall provide certain payroll records to an authorized third party representative in certain circumstances. Permits the owner and the direct contractor to withhold payment to a subcontractor in certain circumstances. Clarifies that the owner or direct contractor may withhold payment in an amount and to the extent that the owner or direct contractor paid, on behalf of the subcontractor, wages owed to the subcontractor's employees.

**Bill #: SB 427** Title: Water Transfers Subject: Water Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules by order of the President.

Digest: The Act prohibits certain changes related to water that will reduce the flow of streams. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8). Prohibits certain proposed changes related to the appropriation or use of water that will result in the diminishment of streamflow.

**Bill #: SB 432** Title: Federal Lands Wildfire Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act concerns fires that start on federal lands. The Act tells the forester and certain entities to take actions to address this type of fire. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5). Instructs the forester, or a forest protective association or agency that is under contract or agreement with the State Board of Forestry for the protection of forestland against fire, and whose protection area is or may be affected by a fire on nearby federal lands, to take certain actions to address the fire.

**Bill #: SB 434** Title: Transient Lodging for Ocean Beach Fund Subject: Environment Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act would use some moneys raised by an existing tax to support state recreation areas on the Oregon coast. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8). Establishes the Ocean Beach Fund. Directs that the moneys received from the state transient lodging tax in an amount equal to one percent of the tax collected at state recreation areas along the ocean shore be transferred to the fund. Directs the State Parks and Recreation Department to spend moneys from the fund for expenses of managing state recreation areas along the ocean shore. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 435** Title: Housing Accountability Office Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act requires DLCD to study the HAPO. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8). Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to study the Housing Accountability and Production Office and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.



**Bill #: SB 437** Title: Public Notice Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act lets people publish some notices in online news. The Act changes some laws about public notices. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).  
 Expands the application of certain statutes requiring publication in a newspaper to allow publication in online news publications.  
 Modifies the laws relating to publication of public notices.

**Bill #: SB 438** Title: Rural Family Dwelling Units Subject: Land Use  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: This Act allows a rural homeowner to build a house for a relative. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
 Allows the owner of property outside an urban growth boundary to site an additional dwelling on the property for occupancy by a relative of the owner.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 445** Title: SAIF MCO Subject: Workers Comp  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act would let SAIF form or acquire subsidiaries. The Act would let SAIF or a subsidiary provide managed care to injured workers. The Act would require the Department of Consumer and Business Services to make an annual audit of the managed care that they provide. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 Authorizes the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation to form or acquire subsidiaries to perform any function the corporation may delegate under law. Authorizes the corporation or a subsidiary to provide managed care services to injured workers. Sets forth the membership and duties of the board of directors that governs a subsidiary. Requires an annual audit of the managed care services provided by the corporation or a subsidiary.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 453** Title: Transient Lodging Taxes RC Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would require a study of the split that local transient lodging tax districts are allowed for the use of their revenues. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.6).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the 70 percent-30 percent division between the permissible uses of new and increased local transient lodging tax revenues. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 454** Title: RFPD Revenue Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would require a study of the revenue of rural fire protection districts in this state. The Act would require a report to be submitted next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the revenue of rural fire protection districts in this state. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 455** Title: Forest Trust Lands Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to study the economic effects of a conservation plan. The Act tells the agency to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Directs the State Forestry Department to study the economic effects of a certain habitat conservation plan. Directs the department to report to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 457** Title: Transient Lodging Taxes RC Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would require a study of how to allow local taxing districts to spend transient lodging tax moneys for public safety programs. The Act would require a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.2).  
 Requires the Legislative Revenue Officer to study the inclusion of public safety programs as tourism promotion for purposes of transient lodging tax expenditures. Directs the officer to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue no later than September 15, 2026.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 460** Title: Prevailing Wage Modifications

Subject: Public Contracting  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Says that laws that require paying a certain wage rate for workers on public works do not apply to a worker who is not yet a fully skilled worker. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.5).  
Exempts workers on public works who are participants in a pre-apprenticeship program from the application of laws that determine and require payment of a prevailing rate of wage.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 462** Title: Land Use Planner Education

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act makes Business Oregon create a required course for land use planners. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).  
Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to establish an education course for land use planners for local governments, special districts and state agencies. Requires completion of the course at least once every two years.

**Bill #: SB 463** Title: Insurance Fund Solvency

Subject: Insurance  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Tells a state agency to do a report about how well the state's Insurance Fund is doing. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.1).  
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to submit by [August 30] January 15 of each even-numbered year a report to the Legislative Assembly concerning the soundness of the state's Insurance Fund. Specifies the contents of the report and directs agencies of state government and participants in the fund to cooperate with and assist the department in carrying out the department's duties under the Act.  
[Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.]  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 464** Title: Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act allows an owner a separate approval path for changes made to a home. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).  
Requires local governments to approve alteration, restoration or replacement of dwellings under an alternative process that is not a land use decision.

**Bill #: SB 471** Title: EBike Operations

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act says that people may not ride Class 3 e-bikes on bike lanes, sidewalks or bike paths under the OVC. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.7).  
Prohibits operating a Class 3 electric assisted bicycle on a sidewalk, bicycle lane or bicycle path.

**Bill #: SB 473** Title: Public Official Crime

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates a new crime of threatening a public official. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.3).  
Creates the crime of threatening a public official. Punishes by a maximum of 364 days' imprisonment, \$6,250 fine, or both, for the first offense, and a maximum of five years' imprisonment, \$125,000 fine, or both, for subsequent offenses.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 475** Title: Overtime PERS Calculations

Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act changes how overtime is used in OPSRP. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.9).  
Modifies how the overtime cap is calculated for use in calculating the final average salary of members of the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan.

**Bill #: SB 479** Title: Sewage Connection distance Subject: Wastewater  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.  
 Digest: This Act says that DEQ may not find that a sewer is available to a property unless it is less than 200 feet from the property. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).  
 Prohibits the Department of Environmental Quality from determining, for purposes of issuing a sewage disposal construction permit, that a community or area-wide sewerage system is available unless the sewerage system is within 200 feet of the property to be served.  
 Sunsets January 2, 2031.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 482** Title: Administrative Rules RC Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Rules.  
 Digest: The Act says that an agency may not make rules without statutory authority to make the rules. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
 Provides that a state agency may not adopt rules without statutory authority.

**Bill #: SB 493** Title: Opioid Medicine EMR EMT Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act says an EMR and an EMT can draw up and give doses of a drug to stop an opioid overdose. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.7).  
 Allows an emergency medical responder and an emergency medical technician to draw up and administer one or more doses of a short-acting opioid antagonist from a container that contains multiple doses of the short-acting opioid antagonist.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 499** Title: Manufactured Dwellings Replacement Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: This Act provides money to replace old mobile homes in SW Oregon. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
 Appropriates moneys to the Housing and Community Services Department to replace manufactured dwellings in specified counties.

**Bill #: SB 500** Title: Affordable Housing Tax Incentives Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act makes a new tax credit for building affordable houses. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).  
 Allows a new income or corporate excise tax credit for a portion of the eligible costs of a newly constructed single-family dwelling that sells for a price that is affordable to a household with an annual income at or below 120 percent of the area median income.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 501** Title: Standing in Land Use Appeals Subject: Land Use  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Housing and Development.  
 Digest: This Act limits the appeal of a land use dispute to nearby opponents of the project who went to a hearing. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Limits standing in appeals of land use decisions or limited land use decisions to persons that reside or maintain a business in or within 25 miles of a boundary of local government or special district and appeared before a decision maker in person at a hearing, if available.

**Bill #: SB 504** Title: Coastal Resources Bioengineering Subject: Ports  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.  
 Digest: This Act makes LCDC, ODSL and OPRD adopt rules for nature-based solutions to protect the coast. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
 [Digest: This Act makes LCDC and OPRD adopt bioengineering rules to protect the coast. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).]  
 Requires the Land Conservation and Development Commission to adopt rules by January 1, 2028, to [allow soil bioengineering systems] provide guidance on nonstructural, nature-based solutions for shoreline stabilization. Allows the Department of State Lands and the State Parks and Recreation Department to adopt conforming rules by January 1, 2029.

**Bill #: SB 505** Title: Co Emergency Mgmt Grants

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to give grants to counties to pay for emergency coordinators. The Act tells the EPAC to make a group to study the emergency readiness of counties. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Directs the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to develop and implement a grant program to distribute moneys to certain counties to fund emergency preparedness coordinators.  
Directs the Emergency Preparedness Advisory Council to convene a Committee on County Emergency Management to study and make recommendations regarding the capacity of counties in Oregon to prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies.

**Bill #: SB 509** Title: Clean Truck CARB Preemption

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: This Act stops the EQC from adopting, and stops the DEQ from enforcing, California rules that require some trucks sold in the state to have no emissions. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3).  
Prohibits the Environmental Quality Commission from adopting motor vehicle emission standards to implement California standards requiring that some or all medium- or heavy-duty vehicles sold in the state be zero-emission vehicles. Prohibits the Department of Environmental Quality from enforcing such standards adopted prior to the effective date of the Act.

**Bill #: SB 511** Title: Salmon Habitat Restoration Credits

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act tells the DSL to make a pilot program for owners of land to restore salmon habitat. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.0).  
Directs the Department of State Lands, in consultation with the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, to develop a salmon credit pilot program to encourage the voluntary restoration of salmonid habitat in the Coquille and Coos watershed basins.  
Establishes the Salmon Credit Trust Fund.  
Directs the Department of State Lands and the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to consult with the United States Army Corps of Engineers to develop or identify an existing programmatic general permit to authorize restoration activities under the pilot program.  
Becomes operative on the date that a programmatic general permit is established.  
Provides that the Department of State Lands may not approve a salmon credit project on or after January 2 of the sixth year following the establishment of a programmatic general permit.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 514** Title: Post Wildfire water quality

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act tells agencies to study how wildfire affects water quality. The Act tells the agencies to report on the study. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.2).  
Requires the State Department of Fish and Wildlife and Department of Environmental Quality to study the impacts of wildfire on water quality of streams and tributaries. Directs the departments to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 518** Title: 3% for A&T Funding

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would have a county at high risk of financial distress hold back three percent of property taxes to be used to fund the work of the county assessor. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Authorizes a county tax collector to withhold from property tax distributions to taxing districts within the county an amount equal to three percent of the distributions. Applies during any period in which the county is listed in an audit report of the Secretary of State as being at high risk of financial distress. Requires the county to use the withheld amounts to fund the office of the county assessor.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 521** Title: Urban Reserves

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act makes more cities create urban reserves and allows building on them. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).  
Requires additional cities to develop urban reserves.  
Allows approval of certain types of development within urban reserves not designated by Metro and expansion of urban growth boundaries to include the development.

**Bill #: SB 525** Title: Residential Land Use Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act changes the laws for splitting land for homes in a city. (Flesch Readability Score: 89.5).  
Amends expedited land division criteria and processes.

**Bill #: SB 526** Title: Washing Machines Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: This Act prohibits the sale of new clothes washers that do not have a filter for small fibers, starting in 2030. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
Prohibits the sale of new clothes washers that are not equipped with a microfiber filtration system, beginning January 1, 2030.

**Bill #: SB 545** Title: Volunteer Firefighter Tax Credit Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act makes a new tax credit for volunteer firefighters. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
Establishes an income tax credit for volunteer firefighters.  
Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, and before January 1, 2032.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 554** Title: Reusable Packaging Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Energy and Environment.

Digest: This Act requires the DEQ to study and make a report on reusable packaging systems. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Requires the Department of Environmental Quality to study reusable packaging systems. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment not later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 555** Title: LPRO Research Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act makes research that is performed or used by LPRO confidential unless it is stated otherwise. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
Makes research requested, collected, maintained or utilized by the Legislative Policy and Research Office confidential unless it is specifically authorized to be released.

**Bill #: SB 568** Title: Senior Special Assessment Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.

Digest: The Act would grant a specially assessed property tax value for the homes of people who are at least 70 years old. The Act would sunset after six years, but a home in the program that remained eligible would be able to stay in it past the sunset. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.9).  
Provides, for purposes of ad valorem property taxation, a specially assessed value for the homestead of individuals who are at least 70 years old.  
Sunsets the program after six years. Maintains the specially assessed value for homesteads granted the specially assessed value before the sunset date as long as the homesteads continue to qualify for it.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 579** Title: Fire Station Funding Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act gives money to the State Fire Marshal for distribution related to a fire station. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
Appropriates moneys to the State Fire Marshal for distribution to Central Douglas Fire and Rescue for certain purposes.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 580** Title: Candidate Filing Deadlines Subject: Elections  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: The Act tells local election chiefs to put certain papers on the county or city website. The Act becomes law 91 days after the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7).  
Requires filing officers in each county and city to make publicly available on the county or city website within two business days certain election documents that are filed with the filing officer.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 583** Title: State Bank Study

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: The Act creates a task force to study a state public bank. (Flesch Readability Score: 95.9). Establishes the State Public Bank Task Force. Directs the task force to study and make recommendations regarding the establishment of a state public bank. Requires the task force to submit a report to a committee of the Legislative Assembly by September 1, 2026. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 585** Title: PERS Study

Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act tells PERB to look at retirement and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 81.8). Requires the Public Employees Retirement Board to study retirement. Directs the board to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to general government not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 588** Title: PTSD PERS Benefits

Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act says that the PERB has to send disability cases about police and firefighters to be heard within a certain time. The Act changes how PERS looks at the disability of police and firefighters. The Act says that a disabled member of PERS can earn some money and not lose benefits. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). [Digest: The Act says that a police or fire worker's PTSD is an on duty disease or injury for PERS disability with some facts. The Act says that the PERB has to hear a challenge about disability benefits in a short time. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.2).] [Provides that post-traumatic stress disorder suffered by a police officer or firefighter is an injury or disease sustained in the actual performance of duties for purposes of benefits under the Public Employees Retirement System in certain circumstances.] Requires the Public Employees Retirement Board to [hold] refer a contested case for a hearing requested by a police officer or firefighter who is denied disability benefits within a certain period of time. Provides that a member of the Public Employees Retirement System who is a police officer or firefighter is disabled if the member is mentally or physically incapacitated and unable to perform the work the member performed at the time the member became disabled, instead of unable to perform any work. Allows a disabled member of the system to receive certain earned income without losing disability benefits. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 592** Title: Stafford Triangle

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: The Act would have DLCD study the formation of a new city in the Stafford triangle area of Clackamas County. The Act would require a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9). Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to study the formation of a new city in the Stafford triangle area in Clackamas County and submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to land use no later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 593** Title: Use of Public Property Homeless

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary, then Housing and Development.

Digest: The Act would repeal the law that set a state standard for city and county laws that govern the use of public property by the homeless. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3). Repeals the statute enacted by House Bill 3115 (2021) that established objective reasonableness as a statewide standard for city and county laws regulating the use of public property with respect to persons experiencing homelessness, as the basis for a cause of action for injunctive and declaratory relief to challenge such laws and as an affirmative defense in the prosecution of violations of such laws. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 600** Title: Affordable Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: Tells a state agency to study how to make housing more affordable for some people. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study affordable housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to affordable housing not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

SDAO Legislative Bill Summary as of 05/05/25

**Bill #: SB 601** Title: Affordable Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act requires OHCS to study low-cost housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8).  
Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study affordable housing and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 606** Title: Health Care PTSD Presumption

Subject: Workers Comp  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: The Act would add certain health care workers to those whose stress disorders give rise to a presumption that a workers' comp claim is compensable. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.0).  
Adds certain health care employees to the list of workers for whom certain stress disorders give rise to a presumption that a workers' compensation claim is compensable as an occupational disease.

**Bill #: SB 613** Title: Pay Equity Repeal

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act repeals certain provisions from the pay equity law. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
Modifies pay equity requirements for employers. Removes certain provisions relating to obligations, rights and remedies under pay equity laws.  
Makes conforming amendments.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 614** Title: Liability Waiver for Recreation

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act lets a person offering some dangerous sports make a patron sign a release of claims. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.1).  
Allows an operator offering or providing facilities for an inherently dangerous sporting activity to require a patron to provide an anticipatory release from certain claims for liability, including claims arising out of the negligence of the operator and claims for unreasonable conditions created by the operator. Provides that the release is not unconscionable.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 616** Title: Preservation of Trees

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act stops a city from limiting home building for tree preservation. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Prohibits a local government from conditioning the development or use of property for needed housing based on the retention of trees. Provides exceptions.  
Sunsets January 1, 2036.

**Bill #: SB 624** Title: Grant Reporting Requirements

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act says that groups that get money from the state must report on how they spent the money and on any political contributions they made. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).  
Requires certain recipients of grant or loan moneys distributed by state agencies to submit annual reports to committees of the Legislative Assembly. Directs state agencies to notify recipients of the requirements of the Act.  
Requires persons required to file reports under the Act to disclose amounts and recipients of political contributions made within a specified time frame.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 636** Title: EV Payment

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Transportation.

Digest: The Act would require the Department of Transportation to study the creation of a road usage charge to ensure that electric and hybrid vehicles pay their fair share for the wear they cause to Oregon highways. The Act would require a report to be turned in next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6).  
Requires the Department of Transportation to study the creation of a road usage charge to ensure that electric and hybrid motor vehicles pay their equitable share for the wear they cause to the highways in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation no later than September 15, 2026.  
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 641** Title: Prohibition on Chinese land ownership Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: This Act stops China or Chinese companies from getting farmland. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 Prohibits China or entities under the jurisdiction of China from buying or leasing farmlands..

**Bill #: SB 642** Title: State Financial Admin RC Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Judiciary.  
 Digest: The Act gives money to the State Police for rape kit testing. (Flesch Readability Score: 88.9).  
 Appropriates moneys to the Department of State Police for the purpose of reducing the backlog of untested sexual assault forensic evidence kits.

**Bill #: SB 645** Title: Repeals 3115 Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Housing and Development.  
 Digest: The Act would repeal the law that set a state standard for city and county laws that govern the use of public property by the homeless. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).  
 Repeals the statute enacted by House Bill 3115 (2021) that established objective reasonableness as a statewide standard for city and county laws regulating the use of public property with respect to persons experiencing homelessness, as the basis for a cause of action for injunctive and declaratory relief to challenge such laws and as an affirmative defense in the prosecution of violations of such laws.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 650** Title: Senior P Tax Reduction Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.  
 Digest: The Act would grant a specially assessed property tax value for the homes of people who are at least 65 years old. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.1).  
 Provides, for purposes of ad valorem property taxation, a specially assessed value for the owner-occupied primary residences of individuals who are at least 65 years of age.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 658** Title: Veterans Preference in hiring Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act says that if a veteran applies for a job and has the right skills, the employer must interview them. If a veteran doesn't get the job, the employer has to send them a notice telling them why. The law also allows veterans to take legal action. The DVA will look into any complaints about unfair treatment of veterans in hiring. Lastly, public employers must have yearly training about how to support veterans, and completing this training can help protect them from claims of unfairness. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).  
 Provides that, when an interview is an element of the process of selecting a candidate for a civil service position from an eligibility list, the public employer must interview each veteran applicant who meets the qualifications for the position and shows transferable skills if the duties of the position are performed by only one person within the public employer's organization.  
 Requires a public employer to provide written notice to a veteran who is eliminated from consideration for a vacant civil service position.  
 Provides the right to a jury trial and permits awards of noneconomic damages in civil suits for a violation of veterans' employment preference statutes. Modifies the period for notice of a tort claim against a public body for violation of veterans' employment preference statutes.  
 Directs the Department of Veterans' Affairs to establish a program for investigation and nonbinding arbitration of alleged violations of veterans' employment preference statutes.  
 Requires public employers to conduct an annual training related to veterans' employment preferences. Provides that conducting an approved annual training is an affirmative defense to a claim for violation of veterans' employment preference statutes.

**Bill #: SB 663** Title: Fees Relating Clause Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Rules.  
 Digest: The Act says that agencies may not charge fees. (Flesch Readability Score: 94.3).  
 Prohibits state agencies from charging fees.



**Bill #: SB 665** Title: Monetary Penalties RC Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act says that public bodies may not keep money from certain fines or civil penalties. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
 Requires public bodies to transfer moneys deriving from certain fines and civil penalties to the General Fund for general governmental purposes.

**Bill #: SB 671** Title: Ethics Commission Dissolution Subject: Ethics  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Rules.  
 Digest: Ends the OGEC. Tells certain heads of government to study how to do the work of the OGEC and report to the legislature. Tells the OGEC to make a plan for local governments to do the work of the OGEC and report to the legislature. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.2).  
 Dissolves the Oregon Government Ethics Commission as of July 2, 2027.  
 Requires the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries and Attorney General to conduct studies and report to the Legislative Assembly on how each entity would supervise identified public officials and ensure that those public officials comply with all legal requirements currently overseen by the Oregon Government Ethics Commission.  
 Requires the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to develop a plan and report to the Legislative Assembly on the most efficient manner of making each local government and local service district responsible for ensuring that public officials affiliated with the local government or local service district comply with all legal requirements currently overseen by the Oregon Government Ethics Commission.

**Bill #: SB 673** Title: Columbia River water use Subject: Water  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.  
 Digest: The Act tells an agency to allow the use of water from the Columbia River in eastern Oregon. The Act tells agencies to grant easements to help the use occur. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 Instructs the Water Resources Commission to allow the appropriation of water from the mainstem of the Columbia River for use in eastern Oregon.  
 Requires state agencies to convey easements to facilitate the appropriation of water from the mainstem of the Columbia River.

**Bill #: SB 675** Title: Delinquent P Tax Interest Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue.  
 Digest: The Act would lower the interest rate on unpaid property taxes to one-half of one percent per month. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).  
 Lowers the interest rate imposed on unpaid property taxes to one-half of one percent per month.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 678** Title: Wildfire 762 Repeal Subject: Public Safety  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.  
 Digest: The Act undoes changes in law by Senate Bill 762 (2021). The changes concern how to class wildfire risk. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).  
 Undoes wildfire protection provisions adopted in Senate Bill 762 (2021).  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 679** Title: GHG Damages Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Referred to Energy and Environment, then Judiciary.  
 Digest: The Act says that parties that made greenhouse gas are strictly liable for damages due to climate change. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.3).  
 Provides that parties that have caused a certain amount of greenhouse gas emissions are strictly liable to harmed parties for damages incurred as a result of extreme weather attributable to climate change or a climate disaster.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 680** Title: Net Zero Claims Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Says that a person may not claim a good effect on the environment from the person or the person's products or services if the claim is not true. Says that a violation is a bad practice under the UTPA and that the person can get sued for \$200 for the violation. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.5).  
 Prohibits a person from publishing or causing to be published an environmental marketing claim, net zero claim or reputational advertising that is materially false, misleading, deceptive or fraudulent. Specifies what constitutes a materially false, misleading, deceptive or fraudulent environmental marketing claim or net zero claim or reputational advertising.  
 Punishes a violation of the Act as an unlawful trade practice under the Unlawful Trade Practices Act and subjects the violator to statutory damages of \$200 if a plaintiff can prove exposure to the claim or advertising and that the plaintiff purchased a product or service from the person based on the claim or advertising.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 681** Title: PERS Fossil Fuel Invest Subject: PERS  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act says that for five years, the State Treasurer can't invest in private funds that deal heavily in fossil fuels. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.7).  
 Prohibits the State Treasurer from renewing investments in or making new investments in a private market fund if the managers of the fund have stated an intention to invest in fossil fuels, subject to fiduciary duties.  
 Sunsets on January 2, 2031.

**Bill #: SB 684** Title: Loans for mixed income housing Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: This Act makes OHCS create mixed income housing programs and lets housing authorities run or own more mixed income housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
 [Digest: The Act tells HCSD to make a program to give out loans to build mixed income public developments. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.0).]  
 Directs the Housing and Community Services Department to establish a program to issue low-interest short-term loans for the construction of mixed income [public developments.] housing. Amends the definition of "residential housing" to include certain mixed income housing. Requires the department to adopt rules for long-term financing of residential housing on or before January 1, 2027. Requires the department to report on updates to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing by September 15, 2026. Establishes the Mixed Income Public Development Loan Fund to be continually appropriated to the department for those purposes.  
 Reduces limitations on the mixed income housing that housing authorities may finance, develop, own, operate or manage.

**Bill #: SB 687** Title: Local Vehicle Reg Fee Preemption Repeal Subject: Transportation  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Finance and Revenue, then Transportation.

Digest: The Act says that a city or county may enact a fuel tax. The proposed tax will not need to go to the electors first. The Act says a county that is smaller may enact a car fee and does not need elector approval first. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.5).  
 Provides that certain local governments may enact a fuel tax or vehicle registration fee without first submitting the proposed tax or registration fee to the electors.

**Bill #: SB 698** Title: Guns in Public Places Subject: Guns  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act changes the public areas where a person with a CHL can possess a gun. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.5).  
 Authorizes the governing bodies of certain public entities that own or control public buildings to adopt a policy, ordinance or regulation limiting the affirmative defense for concealed handgun licensees for the crime of possessing a firearm in a public building. Provides that in a prosecution for possessing a firearm in a building or on grounds subject to such a policy, ordinance or regulation, the concealed handgun licensee affirmative defense is not a complete defense, but results in a Class A misdemeanor conviction punishable by 364 days' imprisonment, \$6,250 fine, or both.

**Bill #: SB 700** Title: Water safety lifejacket minors

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire.

Digest: You cannot operate a boat with a child under 16 on board unless the child is wearing a properly fitted and secured life jacket. If you break this law, you could be fined up to \$250. Children under 16 are also not allowed to use floating items outside of swimming areas unless they are wearing a life jacket. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.7).  
Prohibits operating a boat carrying a child under 16 years of age unless the child is wearing a properly sized and secured personal flotation device. Punishes by a maximum fine of \$250.  
Prohibits a child under 16 years of age from using a floating item outside of a swimming area on waters of this state unless the child is wearing a properly sized and secured personal flotation device. Punishes by a fine of \$25.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 704** Title: Worker classification RC

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act makes new laws for state agencies to determine the employment status of workers. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Directs those agencies that administer certain state laws to use specific criteria to determine whether an individual is an employee or independent contractor and to cooperate in adopting rules to facilitate consistency in the application of the statutory provisions concerning independent contractors and the provisions of the Act.  
Creates a rebuttable presumption that an individual who performs work for remuneration for a hiring entity is an employee when the employment status of the individual is at issue.

**Bill #: SB 705** Title: TTD Minimum Benefit

Subject: Workers Comp  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would add to workers' comp law a floor of pay per week for temporary total disability that the worker must get. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
Provides an alternative weekly minimum amount of workers' compensation benefits for temporary total disability.

**Bill #: SB 712** Title: 3% Max Assessed Value

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would increase the maximum value of property for each tax year by three percent. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).  
Provides for an annual increase of three percent in the maximum assessed value of property.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 713** Title: Levees

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would issue lottery bonds to fund levee projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
Authorizes the issuance of lottery bonds for deposit in the Levee Project Grant Fund.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 729** Title: Mental Health Services

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act makes changes to a law about mental health services for persons with IDD's. The Act takes effect on the 91st day after session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.7).  
Extends to all public bodies the prohibition against denying mental health services to individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Extends protection against mental health service denial to all individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 731** Title: Language Pay

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes laws about public employer pay differential policies that provide extra pay for certain language skills and sign language skills. The Act requires the extra pay be applied in the same way for each of the skills. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).  
Requires public employer employment policies to provide for a pay differential for sign language skills in the same manner that pay differentials are provided for other bilingual or multilingual skills.

**Bill #: SB 737** Title: Middle housing land division Subject: Land Use  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: This Act gives more neighbors notice of middle housing land divisions and adds content to the notice. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).  
 Expands the radius for giving notices of proposed middle housing land division and requires additional content in the notices.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 747** Title: Fertilizer Reporting Subject: Environment  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act tells certain persons to report the use of fertilizer on farmland. The Act allows agencies to take certain actions about the reports. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Requires persons with ownership interests in at least 200 acres of irrigated land used for agriculture to annually report information about fertilizer application to the State Department of Agriculture. Authorizes the department and the Department of Environmental Quality to take certain actions related to the information. Directs the State Department of Agriculture to report on the information to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to agriculture on or before September 15 of each odd-numbered year.  
 Authorizes the imposition of civil penalties for a violation.

**Bill #: SB 748** Title: Unemployment denial for drugs Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: ML  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act would allow drug testing for an initial claim for unemployment in certain cases. The Act would make the Employment Department pay for the tests, not the claimant. The Act would disqualify a claimant who fails a drug test until the claimant requalifies and passes another drug test. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
 Authorizes the Employment Department to require drug testing for an initial claim for unemployment benefits if the claimant was fired by the claimant's most recent employer for unlawful drug use or suitable work is available for the claimant only in an occupation that regularly conducts drug testing. Provides that the cost of the tests must be paid by the department and not by the claimant. Disqualifies a claimant who fails a drug test from benefits until the claimant requalifies and passes another drug test.

**Bill #: SB 751** Title: Firefighter PERS Definition by Rule Subject: PERS  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.  
 Digest: The Act makes a task force about health insurance for retired police and fire members of PERS. The Act tells the task force to report by January 1, 2026. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.5).  
 [Digest: The Act tells PERB to make new definitions of "police officer" and "firefighter" to decide which police officers and firefighters get more benefits. Makes a task force on health insurance for retired police and fire workers. Tells the task force to make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).]  
 [Directs the Public Employees Retirement Board to establish definitions of "police officer" and "firefighter" for the sole purpose of determining which police officer and firefighter members of the Public Employees Retirement System are entitled to increased benefits.]  
 [Establishes the Task Force on Health Insurance Coverage for Retired Police Officers and Firefighters and directs the task force to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to general government no later than December 15, 2026.]  
 [Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.]  
 Establishes the Task Force on Health Insurance Coverage for Retired Police and Fire Members of the Public Employees Retirement System. Directs the task force to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to general government no later than January 1, 2026.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 754** Title: Union Payroll Deduction Info Subject: Labor  
 Position: Staff: HW  
 Status: Public Hearing held.  
 Digest: The Act makes changes to the PECBA. The Act creates penalties for violating certain provisions of the PECBA. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).  
 Permits a labor organization to file a civil action against a public employer for failing to timely provide the labor organization with certain information regarding public employees.  
 Directs the Employment Relations Board to impose civil penalties against a public employer that fails to comply with certain requirements under the public employee collective bargaining act.

**Bill #: SB 758** Title: Prevailing Wage for off-site work

Subject: Public Contracting  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: Makes a certain wage apply to custom work done off site but for a particular public works project. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).

Applies the prevailing rate of wage to certain off-site custom work fabricated, assembled or produced in accordance with specifications for a particular public works. Specifies examples of such custom work.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 759** Title: Infrastructure Funding underserved

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would have Business Oregon look at how to use a loan loss reserve fund for infrastructure work by underserved communities in this state. The Act would require a report of the study be sent to the legislature. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study the use of a loan loss reserve fund to support infrastructure improvement projects by underserved communities in Oregon and submit a report to the legislature by September 15, 2026.

**Bill #: SB 760** Title: Fire Safety in Public Buildings

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: Makes new rules about fire safety systems in public buildings. Sets penalties. Takes effect on the 91st day after the session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.6).

Requires the owner of a public building to periodically conduct inspections and testing of fire dampers, smoke dampers, combination fire and smoke dampers and smoke control systems in the public building. Specifies qualifications for inspectors. Requires an inspector to issue a certificate of compliance if the public building complies with the applicable standards or to issue a deficiency report if the public building does not comply. Specifies a time period within which the public building owner must return the public building to compliance.

Directs a building owner that receives public moneys for the purpose of replacing or repairing fire dampers, smoke dampers, combination fire and smoke dampers and smoke control systems to require a contractor to provide certain benefits to workers in connection with an installation or repair of equipment that fails an inspection or test or is otherwise deficient.

Punishes violation of the Act with a civil penalty equivalent to five cents for each square foot of occupied space in the public building. Authorizes additional civil penalties for a continuing failure to comply.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 761** Title: Walla Walla Basin

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act allows WRD to say yes to a temporary lease of existing water rights to become in-stream water rights, if WRD finds certain facts and conditions. The Act sunsets on Jan. 1, 2030. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).

[Digest: The Act gives money to WRD for projects in the Walla Walla basin. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).]

[Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Water Resources Department to implement projects that benefit water demands in the Walla Walla basin.]

Authorizes the Water Resources Department to approve applications by certain water districts within the Walla Walla basin to lease existing water rights for temporary conversion to in-stream water rights if certain conditions exist and the department makes certain determinations. Establishes procedures for how applications may be considered and establishes the terms of leases that are created under the Act.  
Sunsets on January 2, 2030.

**Bill #: SB 766** Title: Minimum Wage

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act puts a cap on the amount that the minimum wage rate may be adjusted for inflation. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.0).

Imposes a cap on the percentage increase that the minimum wage rate may be adjusted for inflation.

**Bill #: SB 775** Title: Groundwater Data Review

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Natural Resources and Wildfire, then Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act says that data about ground water that some state agencies use has to be peer reviewed. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.7).

Requires that ground water data generated or used for specified purposes by the Department of Environmental Quality, State Department of Agriculture, Water Resources Commission or Water Resources Department be peer reviewed.

SDAO Legislative Bill Summary as of 05/05/25

**Bill #: SB 792** Title: Aviation Fees by Rule

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act allows ODAV to establish fees by rule. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5). Authorizes the Oregon Department of Aviation to establish by rule fees related to airports and aircraft. Provides for adjustment of fees for inflation.

**Bill #: SB 793** Title: Easements on state land

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: This Act directs the Director of the Department of State Lands to establish fees and rates for easements on state land that is located in the sea. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.3). [Digest: This Act directs the Director of the Department of State Lands to establish fees and rates for easements on state land. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).] Directs the Director of the Department of State Lands to establish application fees and compensation rates for easements on state land located within the territorial sea. Directs the Department of State Lands to submit a progress report to committees of the Legislative Assembly by February 15, [2027] 2026. [Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.] Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 795** Title: Abandoned and derelict vessels

Subject: Ports  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Second reading.

Digest: The Act changes laws about the cleanup of marine vessels that have been left alone or that are in bad shape. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.7). Modifies the meaning of terms used for purposes of the abandoned and derelict vessel laws. Clarifies that an authorized agency may remove and dispose of marine debris without notice. Creates the offense of abandoning a vessel. Punishes by a maximum fine of \$2,000. Expands the offense of possession of a derelict vessel. Authorizes the Director of the Department of State Lands to procure or supervise the procurement of goods, services and personal services related to the removal of abandoned and derelict vessels. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 800** Title: License tax compliance

Subject: General Gov  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act requires people who seek licenses to show tax compliance. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9). Expands provisions requiring tax compliance as a condition of receiving a license to conduct a business, trade or profession or of entering into a contract with a state agency or political subdivision. Requires licensees and contractors to provide a tax compliance certificate from the Department of Revenue, unless a certain compliance rate is demonstrated by holders of the type of license. Applies to licenses issued, reissued, reinstated or renewed and contracts entered into on or after January 1, 2026. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 808** Title: Veterans Preference in hiring

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: Gives job preferences in civil service jobs to current and former members of the state national guard. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1). Provides hiring and promotion preferences in public employment to members and former members of the Oregon National Guard.

**Bill #: SB 823** Title: ODEM Relating Clause

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act authorizes ODEM to buy or contract for certain goods. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9). Authorizes the Oregon Department of Emergency Management to purchase or contract for certain materials, supplies and equipment.

**Bill #: SB 826** Title: State Interoperability to ODEM

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: The Act puts ODEM in charge of a plan to make sure that public safety systems are compatible with each other. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).  
Transfers duties, functions and powers related to the Oregon Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan from the State Chief Information Officer to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 829** Title: Affordable Housing RC

Subject: Housing  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: Tells a state agency to do a program to help make it easier for people who own or run affordable housing to pay insurance premiums. Sets up a fund for the program. Tells the agency to find ways to support stable prices for insurance for affordable housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.1).  
[Digest: Tells the state agency that deals with consumers and business to do a study about more affordable housing. Tells the department to report the results of the study to legislators on a committee that deals with housing. Lets the department suggest new laws. Gets rid of the bill at the end of 2026. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8).]  
[Requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services to study affordable housing. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than September 15, 2026.]  
Requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services to establish a program to assist eligible entities in paying the costs of property insurance or liability insurance premiums for affordable housing, shelters and other facilities. Specifies requirements for eligibility for the program. Requires the department to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to housing not later than December 15 of each year.  
Establishes the Affordable Housing Premium Assistance Fund and continuously appropriates moneys in the fund to the department to implement the department's program.  
Requires the department to study the feasibility of creating and operating a state reinsurance program or devising another solution to support price stability in the market for insurance to cover affordable housing.  
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 830** Title: On-site Septic expansion

Subject: Wastewater  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act changes laws for the on-site septic system loan program to allow for grants and to expand who qualifies for help. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.2).  
Modifies provisions of the on-site septic system loan program to allow for grants. Expands eligibility for the program.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 833** Title: Soil amendment labeling

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Second reading.

Digest: The Act makes changes related to soil additions. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
Makes certain changes related to label requirements for soil-enhancing products.  
Makes certain changes related to tonnage reports for soil-enhancing products.

**Bill #: SB 839** Title: Commercial Vehicle Regs

Subject: Transportation  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act changes laws about vehicles people use to move goods and other people from place to place. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.0).  
Modifies laws that regulate the operation of commercial vehicles.

**Bill #: SB 845** Title: Water Utilities PUC

Subject: Water  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: Allows the PUC to order the sale of a water utility that is not able to provide service. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).  
[Digest: Allows the PUC to order a water utility that is not able to provide service to be bought. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).]  
Authorizes the Public Utility Commission to order the [acquisition] sale of an incumbent water utility [by] to another water utility or entity when the incumbent water utility is not able to provide [safe, adequate, efficient and reasonable] safe and adequate service. Requires the commission to provide the incumbent water utility reasonable opportunity to take alternative actions to the sale.  
Increases, from \$5,000 to \$100,000, the amount of fees that the commission may use to make emergency repairs to public utility plants that provide water service. Authorizes the commission to order a public utility that provides water service to make emergency repairs.

**Bill #: SB 847** Title: Health Insurance Subject: PERS Position: Staff: HW

Status: Motion to rerefer to Labor and Workplace Standards carried. Rereferred.

Digest: The Act makes changes to the health insurance subsidies retired PERS members can get. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
 [Changes the calculation of] Increases the Retirement Health Insurance Account subsidy under the Public Employees Retirement System.  
 Allows members of the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan to receive the Retiree Health Insurance Premium Account subsidy.

**Bill #: SB 852** Title: Death Benefit Lump Sum Subject: PERS Position: Staff: HW

Status: Third reading. Carried by Elmer. Passed.

Digest: Changes some death benefits under PERS. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8).  
 Modifies certain post-retirement death benefits under the Public Employees Retirement System.

**Bill #: SB 858** Title: Family Medical Leave Subject: Labor Position: Staff: ML

Status: Second reading.

Digest: Makes changes to laws related to paid family and medical leave. The Act becomes law 91 days from sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.0).  
 [Requires the Director of the Employment Department to conduct periodic assessments to determine the solvency of the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund. Specifies the actions that the director may take to maintain or restore solvency when the director determines there is a risk of insolvency.]  
 Makes technical changes to statutory provisions concerning the administration of the family and medical leave insurance program.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 860** Title: Fire Protection Fire Marshal Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Allows the State Fire Marshal and an agency to take actions for fire protection. Makes changes related to a fire policy council. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.0).  
 Grants certain authorities to the State Fire Marshal and the Department of the State Fire Marshal.  
 Makes certain changes related to the Governor's Fire Service Policy Council.

**Bill #: SB 861** Title: Firefighting Costs Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes changes related to funding for fighting fires. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).  
 Makes certain changes related to the State Fire Marshal Mobilization Fund.  
 Instructs the Department of the State Fire Marshal to report on certain amounts and expenditures on or before March 31 of each odd-numbered year.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 862** Title: Fire Protection Districts Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes changes about fire districts. The Act tells an agency to adopt a base fire prevention code. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.9).  
 Makes certain changes related to rural fire protection districts.  
 Instructs the Department of the State Fire Marshal to adopt a base fire prevention code.  
 Makes certain changes related to names for rural fire protection districts.

**Bill #: SB 863** Title: Cost recovery for fire protection Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act allows the State Fire Marshal to recover costs from persons who start fires. The Act allows certain actions related to cost recovery. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.2).  
 Authorizes the State Fire Marshal to seek cost recovery for the actual cost of fire abatement.  
 Authorizes the Attorney General to take certain actions to investigate liability for the actual cost of fire abatement, upon request by the State Fire Marshal.  
 Authorizes deputy state fire marshals to take certain actions to preserve evidence and investigate liability for the actual cost of fire abatement.



**Bill #: SB 864** Title: Landscaper Bonding requirements Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Says that a person that works as a landscaper must pay \$20,000 for a bond. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
 [Digest: Sets two different bond amounts for doing business as a landscape contractor. The bond amounts are based on how much the business charges for landscape jobs. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.7).]  
 Sets [the] a bonding requirement of \$20,000 for applicants for a landscape contracting business license or for licensed landscape contracting businesses [at \$20,000 if the applicant or licensed landscape contracting business charges \$100,000 or less for landscape jobs that the applicant or licensed landscape contracting business undertakes regularly and at \$50,000 if the applicant or licensed landscape contracting business charges more than \$100,000 for any landscape job].

**Bill #: SB 865** Title: Landscape work Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Adds some new kinds of work to the work that a person can do only if the person has a license from the State Landscape Contractors Board. Lets a person install water features without needing a license from the State Landscape Contractors Board if the person has a license from the Construction Contractors Board. Lets a person get out of a contract for landscape work on real property within three days even if the person does not own or lease the real property. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).  
 Requires the State Landscape Contractors Board to determine that a landscape contracting business is an independent contractor with responsibility for obtaining workers' compensation insurance if the landscape contracting business performs certain work related to backflow assemblies for irrigation systems and ornamental water features, to landscape irrigation control wiring and outdoor landscape lighting or to removing or pruning trees or tree limbs or stumps or performing tree or tree limb guying.  
 Exempts persons or businesses who are licensed with the Construction Contractors Board and who install ornamental water features from a requirement to obtain a landscape contractors license.  
 Removes the requirement that a person who intends to rescind a contract with a landscape contracting business for work on real property own or lease the real property.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 878** Title: Rural Housing Subject: Housing  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing Scheduled.

Digest: This Act allows rural residents to build an extra house for their families. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
 Allows an occupying homeowner outside of an urban growth boundary to site one additional family dwelling unit on the tract of the home.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 885** Title: SAIF Fire Policies Subject: Insurance  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: Tells a state agency to make fire insurance and property insurance available to people in this state to protect against wild fires. Sets up a fund for this purpose. Says that the agency must focus on insurance in areas where insurers do not do enough to protect people. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
 Directs the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation to establish a division or subsidiary for the purpose of issuing policies of fire insurance and property insurance against the peril of wildfire. Provides that the corporation shall preferentially issue policies of insurance in locations and insurance markets in this state in which other insurers do not provide fire insurance or property insurance against the peril of wildfire or in which existing policies are inadequate. Establishes the Wildfire Risk Insurance Fund within the State Treasury for the use of the corporation in providing insurance under the Act.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 890** Title: Sunshine Committee Subject: Public Records  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: Makes changes to the OSC reports including dates and the committee which reviews the reports. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8)  
 Disestablishes the subcommittee on public records and changes the committee that reviews the Oregon Sunshine Committee reports to the committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary. Modifies dates the reports from the Oregon Sunshine Committee are due.

**Bill #: SB 898**      Title: Urbanization      Subject: Land Use  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act creates processes by which cities can amend their UGBs or urban reserves. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7). Authorizes certain cities with a demonstrated need for housing to add a project area to their urban growth boundary upon certain conditions. Sunsets the authorization January 2, 2035. Amends principles that the Land Conservation and Development Commission must consider in adopting rules regulating urban reserves. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**Bill #: SB 900**      Title: Protected Leave RC      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act tells OED to study issues related to job-protected time off from work. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5). Requires the Employment Department to study issues related to laws concerning job-protected leave from work. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 902**      Title: PERS Age Retirement      Subject: PERS  
 Position:      Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act tells PERB to look at the age of retirement and make a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.4). Requires the Public Employees Retirement Board to study age qualifications for retirement. Directs the board to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to general government not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 903**      Title: Pay Equity Bonuses      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act requires BOLI to study certain issues about pay equity. The Act requires BOLI to submit a report by a certain date. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.7). Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study issues regarding the payment of certain bonuses under the pay equity law. Directs the bureau to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business and labor not later than September 15, 2026. Sunsets on January 2, 2027.

**Bill #: SB 904**      Title: Self Insured Requirements      Subject: Insurance  
 Position: No Position Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act would let school districts apply to be exempt from the law that requires self-insured employers to submit proof that they will be able pay workers' comp claims. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). Includes school districts among the self-insured employers that may apply for exemption from the rules requiring such employers to demonstrate financial viability and provide security to the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

**Bill #: SB 906**      Title: Pay Stubs      Subject: Labor  
 Position:      Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: The Act makes new laws that require employers to explain certain details about employee pay stubs. The Act tells BOLI to make a sample document for employers to use to explain those details. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.9). [Digest: The Act makes new requirements for employee pay stubs. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).] [Requires that itemized statements provided to employees show, in plain language, the amount and purpose of each deduction.] Requires employers to provide to all employees, at the time of hire, a written explanation of earnings and deductions shown on itemized statements. Describes the ways in which an employer may satisfy the requirement. Establishes specifications for the contents of the written explanation. Requires employers to review and update the information provided in the written explanation by January 1 of each year. Authorizes the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries to impose civil penalties for violations of the requirements. Directs the Bureau of Labor and Industries to develop and make available to employers a model written guidance document in English and in Spanish and, if requested, in other languages, to the extent practicable.

**Bill #:** SB 916      **Title:** Strike Unemployment

**Subject:** Labor  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** The Act would repeal the law that denies UI benefits to a person who is unemployed due to an active labor dispute. The Act would make it so that striking workers have an extra unpaid week before they qualify for benefits. The Act would require benefits to be paid back if they are overpaid due to the worker's later receipt of back pay. The Act would make a school district deduct from future wages benefits received by an employee during a labor dispute. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).

[**Digest:** The Act would repeal the law that denies benefits to a person who is unemployed due to an active labor dispute. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).]

Provides that an individual otherwise eligible for unemployment insurance benefits is not disqualified for any week that the individual's unemployment is due to a labor dispute in active progress at the individual's place of employment. Provides that individuals unemployed due to a strike are disqualified for benefits for one week before eligibility begins, with the usual unpaid waiting week. Provides for the collection of benefits overpaid during a strike due to the later receipt of back pay. Requires a school district to deduct from an employee's future wages benefits received during a labor dispute.

**Bill #:** SB 921      **Title:** Shipyard RC

**Subject:** Ports  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

**Digest:** This Act says that an agency may loan money to a port for shipyard repairs. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.8).

[**Digest:** This Act requires OBDD to study shipyards. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.8).]

[Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study needed investments in shipyards. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development not later than September 15, 2026.]

[Sunsets on January 2, 2027.]

Authorizes the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority to approve a loan to the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay for shipyard repairs. Allocates moneys from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund for the purpose of making the loan.

**Bill #:** SB 928      **Title:** Forced Labor EVs

**Subject:** General Gov  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Labor and Business.

**Digest:** Tells a public body that buys electric cars or solar panels that it needs proof from the vendor that no forced labor was used in producing the car or panel. Specifies penalties for lying about the proof. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.8).

Requires public bodies that procure electric vehicles and solar photovoltaic energy systems to receive before entering a contract for the electric vehicle or solar photovoltaic energy system a certification from the manufacturer, distributor, vendor or supplier that the production, assembly, transportation or sale of the electric vehicle or solar photovoltaic energy system did not use or involve forced labor or oppressive child labor. Requires probative evidence to accompany the certification.

Provides that a person that supplies a certification that is false, materially misleading, illegitimate, untruthful, forged or substantially inaccurate is liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 or half of the price the public body paid for the electric vehicle or solar photovoltaic energy system. Subjects the public body to similar penalties for knowingly or intentionally accepting a certification that the public body knows is false, materially misleading, illegitimate, untruthful, forged or substantially inaccurate.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #:** SB 941      **Title:** Land Supply RC

**Subject:** Land Use  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** ML

**Status:** Referred to Housing and Development.

**Digest:** This Act requires DLCD to study the supply of land to build homes and grow businesses. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).

Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to study the supply of land to build homes and grow businesses and submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to land use no later than September 15, 2026.

**Bill #:** SB 946      **Title:** WBF for BOLI

**Subject:** Workers Comp  
**Position:**                      **Staff:** HW

**Status:** Public Hearing and Possible Work Session scheduled.

**Digest:** The Act would let the duty-related costs of the head of BOLI be paid out of the Workers' Benefit Fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.0).

Authorizes the payment out of the Workers' Benefit Fund of the expenses of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries in carrying out the commissioner's statutory duties.

**Bill #: SB 949** Title: Affordable Housing Subject: Housing Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Digest: The Act tells OHCS to give some money to SEI to build housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 96.0).  
 [Digest: The Act tells OHCS to start a project to build some mixed-use affordable housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).]  
 Directs the Housing and Community Services Department to [establish a project to] disburse moneys to Self Enhancement, Inc., to develop affordable housing [that integrates residential units with community services and commercial spaces in the Portland metropolitan area. Requires the department to annually report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to housing on the project's progress].  
 Sunsets on January 2, [2030] 2028.  
 Declares an emergency, effective on [passage] July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 952** Title: Congressional Vacancies Subject: Election Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act requires the Governor to appoint a U.S. Senator when a vacancy happens in the office. The Act states when the appointment ends and when a special election must occur. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
 Requires the Governor to appoint a United States Senator when a vacancy in the office occurs. Requires that the appointed Senator be of the same political party as the elected Senator who vacated the office. Prohibits the Governor from appointing the Governor to fill the vacancy.  
 Requires the Governor to call a special election within a specified period after the vacancy occurs. Requires the appointment to end when a replacement is elected.

**Bill #: SB 954** Title: Penalties for fires Subject: Public Safety Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Judiciary.

Digest: The Act increases the penalties for causing fires. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Increases the penalties for unlawfully causing fires. Punishes a first violation by a maximum of 30 days' imprisonment, a \$1,250 fine, or both. Punishes a second violation by a maximum of six months' imprisonment, a \$2,500 fine, or both. Punishes a third violation, or a first violation that proximately causes human injury, loss of human life or property damage of \$10,000 or more, by a maximum of 364 days' imprisonment, a \$6,250 fine, or both.

**Bill #: SB 956** Title: Wastewater Treatment RC Subject: Wastewater Position: Staff: ML

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: This Act gives money to DAS to give a grant to Heard Farms for wastewater treatment infrastructure. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to provide a grant to Heard Farms to expand wastewater treatment infrastructure.  
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 958** Title: Land Outside UGBs Subject: Land Use Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Housing and Development.

Digest: This Act allows cities or counties to select land outside of the UGBs to site homes or light commercial uses. Lands are exempt from statewide land use laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.7).  
 Allows cities or counties to designate lands outside the urban growth boundary for residential or light commercial use. Exempts designated lands from statewide land use planning laws.

**Bill #: SB 964** Title: Postal Indicators Subject: Elections Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act defines a postmark for ballot envelopes. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).  
 Defines "postal indicator" as an official mark stamped on an envelope by the United States Postal Service for purposes of determining the date or time at which a ballot was mailed.

**Bill #: SB 965** Title: Ballot Harvesting Subject: Elections Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act says that a person may not deliver the ballot of another person. The Act has exceptions. The Act imposes specified fines for a violation. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
 Prohibits an individual from collecting and returning a ballot of another individual, subject to specified exceptions.  
 Imposes a fine of \$2,500 per ballot for a person other than an individual that illegally collects and returns the ballot of an individual and a fine of \$500 per ballot for an individual who illegally collects and returns the ballot of a different individual.

**Bill #: SB 967** Title: Local Improvements UGB

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session held.

Digest: The Act would let local bodies enter into an IGA that says how they will deal with a local improvement in a UGB. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).  
[Digest: The Act would let local bodies enter into an IGA that says how they will deal with a local improvement in a city's UGB. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.6).]  
Authorizes local governments to enter into agreements governing local improvements proposed for unincorporated areas within [a city's] an urban growth boundary.

**Bill #: SB 968** Title: Employee Deductions

Subject: Labor  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means by order of the President.

Digest: The Act would make new laws for deductions from public employees' wages to recoup amounts that were paid in error. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).  
[Digest: The Act would make new laws for deductions from employees' wages to recoup amounts that were paid in error. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.3).]  
[Provides requirements for employer deductions for erroneous overpayments of wages for employees who are not subject to a collective bargaining agreement. Clarifies that, for employees who are subject to a collective bargaining agreement, employer deductions for erroneous overpayments of wages made pursuant to the terms of the applicable collective bargaining agreement are not prohibited.]  
Provides conditions and procedures under which a public employer may deduct amounts of erroneous overpayments from a public employee's wages.

**Bill #: SB 974** Title: Land Use Review Timeline

Subject: Land Use  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing scheduled.

Digest: This Act speeds up review of housing permits. (Flesch Readability Score: 82.3).  
[Reduces to 45 days the time under which a city or county must decide a land use application for single-family dwellings.]  
Requires local governments or special districts to complete final review of final engineering plans for residential development within 90 days of submission. Defines "urban housing application." Requires urban housing applications to be reviewed as limited land use decisions. Authorizes award of attorney fees to applicant if engineering plans or land use applications for residential development are not processed timely. Prohibits local governments from applying certain design review requirements for certain urban housing applications.  
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 983** Title: Local Budget Conflicts

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act lets local officials act on certain budgets after saying they have a conflict. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).  
Permits local public officials to participate in discussion and debate and to vote on the adoption of a local budget that includes compensation for the public official or a relative of the public official after announcing an actual conflict of interest.

**Bill #: SB 990** Title: Prevailing Wage Exemption

Subject: Public Contracting  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: Says that cities or counties with smaller populations do not need to pay the prevailing rate of wage for public projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).  
Amends the definition of "public agency" to include only certain public bodies and other entities with statewide operations or jurisdiction, incorporated cities with a population of 2,500 or more and counties with a population of 300,000 or more. Exempts public bodies that are not public agencies from requiring contractors to pay a prevailing rate of wage on construction projects.

**Bill #: SB 991** Title: Temporary Disability

Subject: Workers Comp  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Possible Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act removes two bases for a worker to say no to a temp modified job without the loss of workers' comp benefits so that more such jobs qualify. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).  
Deletes two bases for a worker to refuse an offer of modified employment without losing temporary total disability benefits to increase possible modified employment placements.

**Bill #: SB 998** Title: Director of DEQ

Subject: Environment  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: This Act makes the Governor choose the head of DEQ and makes the Senate approve the choice. (Flesch Readability Score: 85.0).  
Removes authority to appoint the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality from the Environmental Quality Commission and provides appointment authority to the Governor. Makes appointment subject to Senate confirmation.

**Bill #: SB 1087** Title: PERS RC

Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act tells the PERB to study the salary of chaplains and make a report. The Act makes some groups of workers police officers for PERS. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.7).  
Directs the Public Employees Retirement Board to study the treatment of the salary of chaplains under the Public Employees Retirement System.  
Provides that certain members of the system qualify as police officers under the system.

**Bill #: SB 1094** Title: P Tax Military Credit

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act would create a property tax credit for the home of a person who is on active military duty. The Act would create a property tax credit for the home of a disabled veteran and the veteran's surviving spouse and extend it to a nonprofit home for the elderly in which they live. The Act would phase out both of the current partial exemption programs for such homes. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).  
Provides for a property tax credit against the ad valorem taxes imposed on the homestead of a resident serving on active military duty. Provides for a property tax credit for the homesteads of disabled veterans and their surviving spouses, including when they reside in nonprofit homes for elderly persons. Phases out both of the current partial exemption programs for such homesteads. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**Bill #: SB 1128** Title: P&F PERS Disability

Subject: PERS  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Labor and Business.

Digest: The Act says that a police officer or firefighter member is disabled for PERS if the member can't go back to the job they had. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.0).  
Provides that a police officer or firefighter member of the Public Employees Retirement System is considered disabled if the member is unable to perform the work the member performed at the time the member became disabled.

**Bill #: SB 5005** Title: GO Bonding Bill

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status:

**Bill #: SB 5006** Title: Capital Construction

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status:

**Bill #: SB 5117** Title: Office of Emergency Management

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status:

**Bill #: SB 5505** Title: I-5 Bridge \$250m Bonding

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act governs bonding by the state for the biennium. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.2).  
Establishes amounts authorized for issuance of general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, certificates of participation and other financing agreements for the biennium.  
Establishes amounts allocated for private activity bonds.  
Authorizes general obligation bonding for the Interstate 5 bridge replacement project for future biennia.  
Makes legislative findings regarding benefits to higher education institutions and community colleges from the issuance of bonds under Article XI-F(1) and Article XI-G of the Oregon Constitution.  
Requires a constructing authority to make certain certifications before issuance of bonds under Article XI-G of the Oregon Constitution.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5506** Title: Capital Construction

Subject: Budget  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act sets a budget for capital construction by the state. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).  
Limits for the six-year period beginning July 1, 2025, payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by various state agencies for capital construction.  
Limits for the six-year period beginning July 1, 2025, expenditures by specified state agencies from federal funds for specified capital construction projects.  
Limits for the six-year period beginning July 1, 2025, payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for expenditures of bond proceeds for the benefit of public universities and community colleges.  
Sets expiration date on project approvals and expenditure limitations.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5511** Title: DCBS Budget

Subject:  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Informational Meeting held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Consumer and Business Services for biennial expenses.  
Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the department.  
Limits biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds.  
Authorizes specified nonlimited expenditures.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5517** Title: Dept of Emergency Mgmt Budget

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Informational Meeting held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management for certain biennial expenses.  
Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the department.  
Limits certain biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5520** Title: DEQ Budget

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Environmental Quality for certain biennial expenses.  
Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, specified bond proceeds and specified federal funds, but excluding lottery funds and other federal funds, collected or received by the department.  
Limits biennial expenditures from lottery moneys allocated from the Parks and Natural Resources Fund to the department.  
Authorizes specified nonlimited expenditures.  
Limits certain biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5522** Title: Ethics Commission Budget

Subject: Budgets  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and reimbursements from federal service agreements, but excluding lottery funds and other federal funds, collected or received by the Oregon Government Ethics Commission.  
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5530** Title: Public Purpose Lottery Bonding Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Assigned to Subcommittee On Capital Construction.

Digest: The Act makes a budget for certain lottery moneys and for moneys in certain accounts. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8). Maintains and reserves lottery revenues available to benefit public purposes during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, in the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund. Allocates moneys from the fund for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025. Directs the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to establish a process for quarterly allocations of moneys from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund and the Veterans' Services Fund. Allocates moneys from the Veterans' Services Fund for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025. Directs the distribution of moneys from the Criminal Fine Account. Directs the distribution of moneys from the Oregon Marijuana Account. Directs the distribution of moneys from the Fund for Student Success. Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to transfer certain amounts from the Tobacco Settlement Funds Account for certain purposes. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5534** Title: PERS Budget Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Informational Meeting held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8). Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Public Employees Retirement System. Limits biennial expenditures by the Public Employees Retirement System from specified funds. Authorizes specified nonlimited expenditures. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5536** Title: Dept of Revenue Budget Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8). Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Revenue for biennial expenses. Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and federal service agreement reimbursements, but excluding lottery funds and other federal funds, collected or received by the department. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5537** Title: Secretary of State Budget Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8). Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Secretary of State for certain biennial expenses. Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Secretary of State. Limits certain biennial expenditures by the Secretary of State from federal funds. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5538** Title: State Fire Marshal Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8). Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of the State Fire Marshal for biennial expenses. Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Department of the State Fire Marshal. Limits biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5543** Title: OWRD Budget Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8). Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Water Resources Department for biennial expenses. Limits biennial expenditures by the department from certain lottery moneys. Limits biennial expenditures for certain purposes from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and specified federal funds, but excluding lottery funds and other federal funds, collected or received by the department. Limits biennial expenditures by the department from other federal funds. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.



**Bill #: SB 5544** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Work Session scheduled.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5545** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5546** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5547** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5548** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5549** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5551** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5552** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SB 5553** Title: Blank Budget Bill Subject: Budgets  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Ways and Means.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).  
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to \_\_\_\_\_ for biennial expenses.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by \_\_\_\_\_.  
 Limits biennial expenditures from federal funds.  
 Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

**Bill #: SCR 1** Title: Sine Die Subject: General Gov  
 Position: Staff: ML

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: Ends session. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.9).  
 Adjourns sine die the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly.

**Bill #: SJR 1** Title: Senior P Tax Reduction Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The measure would direct the legislature to pass laws to provide a property tax break for the homes of seniors. It takes effect only if the people vote for it. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.3).  
 Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution directing the Legislative Assembly to enact a property tax relief program for the owner-occupied primary residences of certain seniors.  
 Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 2** Title: Max Assessed Value Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure would simplify how exempt property is taxed. It takes effect only if the people vote for it. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.5).  
 Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to exclude partial exemptions of the assessed value of property, and tax credits against property taxes on property, from the requirement that the maximum assessed value of the property be redetermined when the property is first granted or disqualified from a partial exemption or property tax credit.  
 Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 3** Title: Reset at Sale Subject: Finance & Tax  
 Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act would change the constitutional property tax laws that deal with maximum assessed value and local option taxes. It takes effect only if the people vote for it. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8).  
 Proposes amendments to the Oregon Constitution providing that, for purposes of ad valorem property taxation, maximum assessed value shall be reassessed upon the sale of property, the ratio of maximum assessed value to real market value of property may not be less than 0.75, and the maximum number of years for which a local option tax may be passed are extended and the tax is not subject to compression under Ballot Measure 5 (1990).  
 Refers the proposed amendments to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 5** Title: Same Day Voter Registration

Subject: Elections  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure amends the Constitution. The measure lets voters register on the day of an election. The amendment goes to the people to approve or reject at the next election. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require voters to be registered by the day of an election.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election.

**Bill #: SJR 6** Title: Recall at General Election

Subject: Elections  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The Act amends the Constitution. The Act requires that a recall must be on the ballot at an election that is already happening. The Act refers the amendment to a vote of the people at the next general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).  
Amends the Oregon Constitution to require that a question of whether to recall a public officer must appear on the ballot at the next regularly scheduled election.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 11** Title: Lottery for wildfires

Subject: Public Safety  
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Public Hearing held.

Digest: The Act suggests a change to the Constitution to set aside money from the lottery for wildfires. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require a certain percentage of lottery revenues to be expended for wildfire prevention, suppression or management.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 17** Title: State Bank Formation

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure amends a section of the Constitution to make it clear that the state may start a public bank. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.3).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to specify that a section restricting certain banks does not prohibit the establishment of a bank owned or operated by the State of Oregon.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 22** Title: Senior P Tax Reduction

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure would direct the legislature to pass laws to provide a property tax break for the homes of seniors. It takes effect only if the people vote for it. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.3).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution directing the Legislative Assembly to enact a property tax relief program for the owner-occupied primary residences of certain seniors.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 23** Title: Revenue Raising Measures

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure would make the scope of the term "bills for raising revenue" in the Oregon Constitution more broad, for the purpose of 3/5 vote. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to expand the scope of the term "bills for raising revenue" for a supermajority vote requirement.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #: SJR 25** Title: School Budget First

Subject: Finance & Tax  
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Referred to Rules.

Digest: The measure would make the legislature pass the schools budget early in each long session. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require the Legislative Assembly, in each odd-numbered year regular session, to appropriate moneys to fund public education in the first 80 days of the session and before passing any other budget measure.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #:** [SJR 26](#)      **Title:** Short Session Repeal**Subject:** General Gov**Position:****Staff:** HW**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The measure asks voters to get rid of the short sessions of the legislature. The measure asks voters to say yes or no at the next general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to eliminate even-numbered year regular sessions of the Legislative Assembly.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.

**Bill #:** [SJR 28](#)      **Title:** Right to Clean Environment**Subject:** Environment**Position:****Staff:** ML**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** This JR proposes a change to the constitution to create a right to a clean, safe and healthy environment. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.8).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to establish a fundamental right to a clean, safe and healthy environment.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.

**Bill #:** [SJR 29](#)      **Title:** Legislative Majority Quorum**Subject:** General Gov**Position:****Staff:** HW**Status:** Referred to Rules.

**Digest:** The measure asks voters to change how many members of the legislature are needed for it to meet, from 2/3 of members to 1/2 of members plus one. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.5).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require a majority of each house of the Legislative Assembly to be present to conduct business.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

**Bill #:** [SJR 30](#)      **Title:** Statewide IP Signature Requirements**Subject:** Elections**Position:****Staff:** HW**Status:** Public Hearing held.

**Digest:** Demands at least 8% of those who voted in the last election for a Governor to sign an IM petition. Demands at least 10% of those who voted in the last election for a Governor to sign a petition to amend the Constitution. Demands that the signatures must come from among all congressional districts.  
Takes effect only if the people vote for it at the next general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require petition signatures for initiative laws to contain at least eight percent of the total votes cast for all candidates for Governor at the last general election at which a Governor was elected divided equally among the congressional districts of this state.  
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require petition signatures for initiative amendments to the Oregon Constitution to contain at least ten percent of the total votes cast for all candidates for Governor at the last general election at which a Governor was elected divided equally among the congressional districts of this state.  
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.