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### Water Resources Department 2007 Legislative Concepts

#### HB 2097 – Split Season Use Instream Leasing (previously LC 04)

Makes permanent statutory provisions under ORS 537.348 allowing the "split season use" instream leasing of water rights that sunset January 2, 2008. http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/hb2000.dir/hb2097.intro.pdf

#### HB 2098 – Irrigation Season Extensions (previously LC 06)

Modifies ORS 537.385 to clarify that the Commission may extend irrigation seasons by rule rather than by order.

http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/hb2000.dir/hb2098.intro.pdf

#### HB 2099 – Fee Adjustment (previously LC 08)

Proposes to amend ORS 536.050 to refund all or a portion of the protest fee to water right holders who successfully rebut a claim of forfeiture under ORS 540.641. http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/hb2000.dir/hb2099.intro.pdf

#### HB 2100 – Exempt Uses (previously LC 02)

Modifies ORS 537.141(1)(b) to clarify that any non-emergency fire-fighting training is an exempt use of surface water provided prior approval of use is granted by the appropriate watermaster or other minimum notice requirements are met. http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/hb2100.dir/hb2100.intro.pdf

#### HB 2101 – Fee Adjustments (previously LC 01)

Proposes to adjust certain statutorily established fees under ORS 536.050, 537.150(5), and 537.620(5).

http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/hb2100.dir/hb2101.intro.pdf

#### SB 88 – Well Constructor Continuing Education (previously LC 03)

Makes permanent statutory provisions for the well constructors continuing education program and Continuing Education Committee that sunset January 2, 2008. <u>http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/sb0001.dir/sb0088.intro.pdf</u>

## SB 89 – Pilot Project for Certain District Temporary Transfers (previously LC 05)

Continues through June 30, 2010 a pilot project for certain districts to make annual place of use changes to water rights within their district boundaries without making application for a temporary transfer.

http://www.leg.state.or.us/07reg/measpdf/sb0001.dir/sb0089.intro.pdf

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