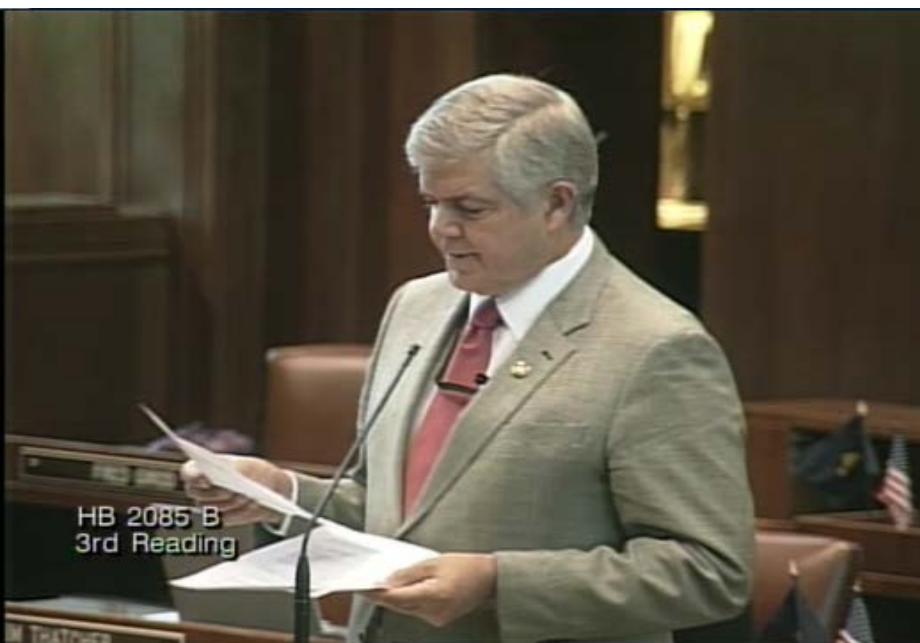


Legislative Update



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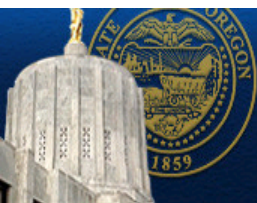
Legislative Timelines

- **January 22 – 2019 session began**
- **May 24 – Second chamber deadline**
- **June 30 – Constitutional *sine die***

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Today's Publications 

WRD Legislation

- **HB 2084 – Extending the Sunset on Place-Based Planning**
- **HB 2085 – Modernizing Dam Safety Statutes**
- **SB 51 – Transfers of the Type of Stored Water**

- **HB 5043 – WRD Budget Bill**
- **HB 5030 – Bonding Bill**

HB 2085 – Dam Safety

- **Jurisdiction – Non-federally regulated dams: water and wastewater**
- **Approval of modifications and receipt of final engineering documentation**
- **Fee for reviews of construction plans**
- **Guidance for owners on their responsibilities**
- **Process for safe removal of high and significant hazard dams**

HB 2085 – Dam Safety

- **Provide tools to address maintenance and safety issues, improving the safety of dams to protect people, property, and infrastructure**
 - **Cooperative plan and timeframe (particularly for seismic and floods), informal resolution, formal corrective action, injunction, civil penalty, and maintenance action**
- **Clarify WRD's general authorities and actions may take during a dam failure**
- **Operative date July 1, 2020**

HB 5043 – WRD Budget

- **Budget note: Report on contested cases and litigation**
- **Modification of Key Performance Measures**
- **POP 102: Funding of 6 positions and funds for Groundwater Studies**
- **POP 101: \$550,000 for place-based planning and continuation of the limited duration planning position**
- **POP 112: Authorizes ongoing position authority for payroll position**



Other Legislation – Joint Ways and Means

- **HB 2856 – funding for groundwater studies**
- **HB 2331 – limits time to enforce well construction standards**
- **HB 2672 – reimburse for cannabis enforcement expenses**
- **HB 3132 – program for permitting restoration weirs**
- **HB 3182 – onsite treatment of reclaimed water**
- **HB 2020 – climate legislation**
- **HB 2377 – funding for sediment study of lower Rogue River; reimbursement for increased pumping costs Umatilla**



Other Legislation – Joint Ways and Means

- **HB 2536 – development of staging areas for emergency response**
- **HB 2735 – task force on Disaster Response and Recovery**
- **HB 2860 – analyze groundwater contaminant data and provide grants to assist with addressing/education**
- **HB 3081 – distributes money to Klamath County to install stream gauges in Klamath Basin**
- **HB 3326 – algal blooms funding for OHA and DEQ**

Other Legislation-Rules

- **SB 511 - funding for Harney for ground water study and water conservation measures**
- **SB 894 – funding for Newport dams**
- **SB 946 – transfers of stored water**
- **HCR 33 – cooperative process to create a comprehensive state water vision**

Other Legislation

- **SCR 1 – Supports development of closed-loop pump storage projects – Passed**
- **Various bills related to professional licensing**
- **Various proposals related to land use / housing**
- **HB 3430 – removal of automatic stay on WRD orders – Died**
- **HB 3438 – grandfather pond in Butte Creek watershed - Died**
- **MANY statewide bills**



Informational Hearings

- **Funding of Dam Infrastructure / City of Newport Dams**
- **Automatic Stays**
- **Willamette Reservoirs**
- **Water Right Management Fee**

Recap

- **Increased interest in water**
- **Items left unaddressed this session will require interim work**

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