2021-2023 Budget and Legislative Update

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Oregon Water Resources Commission June 3, 2021

Oregon State Legislature

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Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Natural Resources 03/17/2021 8:00 AM



2021 Session

- 2,448 bills introduced
- •~1300 alive
- Work sessions deadline for second chamber bills in policy committees -May 28
- Sine Die June 27





SB 130 EN: Irrigation District Pilot Project

• Signed by Governor 5/17

HB 2142: Water Rights Transactions and Dam Safety Fees

- House Water moved without recommendation 4/15
- Joint Ways and Means

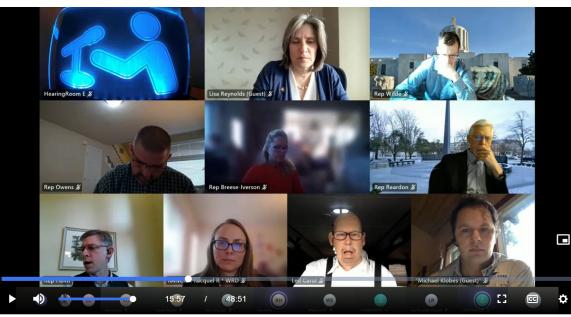
HB 2143 A: Hydroelectric Fee Structure

- Amended in House Energy and Environment 4/15
- Joint Ways and Means



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HB 2145: Modernizing Well Construction Program to Protect Groundwater Resources

- Amended in House Water
- Joint Ways and Means

HB 2144: Transfers of Stored Water

• Died in House Water Committee



- Tracking more than 700 bills
 - <400 still alive
- Many tracked due to relating to clauses
- Statewide bills related to employment, contracting, public records, etc.
- See attachment for a subset of bills
 - Water, Wildfire, Cannabis, Equity, Rulemaking and others



Water bills in Ways and Means

- HB 2251 Complex Basin Issues, CRUST and Regional Solutions, Regional Water Planning and Management Task Force, Community Water Forum Grants
- HB 2257 A Harney Basin CREP Program Funding
- HB 3092 A Harney Domestic Well Funding
- HB 3105 A Place Based Planning Funding



Water bills in Ways and Means

- HB 2018 Groundwater Budgets, Recharge, and Observation Wells
- HB 3091 A Transfers of Stored Water Declaratory Ruling / Supreme Court
- HB 3103 A Changes in type of use of stored water; Task Force



• Water Bills in Rules

• HB 3166 A - Water use measurement and reporting

Water Bills on the Floor or Passed

- HB 2244 B Stays
- HB 3293 EN Water project local community engagement plans
- HB 2298 EN Environmental Restoration Weirs



SB 5545 Water Resources Department Budget

- Not yet scheduled
- Ongoing discussions with Co-Chairs

SB 5534 Lottery Bonding

- Not yet scheduled
- Ongoing discussions with Co-Chairs

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