## Senate Bill 1512

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## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Expresses state policy to identify lands acquired by State Board of Forestry that have limited revenue-generation potential or that provide high-value recreational or conservation benefits. Authorizes board to transfer identified lands to other governmental entities or to change management framework applied to lands. Authorizes board to adopt rules.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to the management of state lands.

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- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - SECTION 1. It is the policy of the State of Oregon to:
  - (1) Identify, as appropriate, lands acquired by the State Board of Forestry pursuant to ORS 530.010 to 530.040 that have limited performance potential as revenue-generating assets or that provide high-value recreational or conservation benefits; and
  - (2)(a) Transfer those lands to state agencies, federal agencies, local governments or Indian tribes; or
  - (b) Retain those lands for board management outside of the framework described in ORS 530.050.
  - SECTION 2. (1) The State Board of Forestry may identify lands acquired pursuant to ORS 530.010 to 530.040 that have limited performance potential as revenue-generating assets or that provide high-value recreational or conservation benefits and:
  - (a) Transfer the identified lands to another state agency, a federal agency, a local government or an Indian tribe; or
  - (b) Retain the lands for board management outside of the framework described in ORS 530.050.
  - (2) Prior to transferring lands under subsection (1) of this section, the board must obtain approval from the governing body of the county where the lands are located and from the governing authority for the receiving state agency, federal agency, local government or Indian tribe. Prior to seeking transfer approvals under this subsection, the board shall:
  - (a) Provide the county governing body with the identity of the state agency, federal agency, local government or Indian tribe to which the board proposes to transfer the lands;
    - (b) Have an independent third party carry out a valuation of the lands; and
  - (c) Provide the valuation described in paragraph (b) of this subsection to the county governing body and to the state agency, federal agency, local government or Indian tribe to which the board proposes to transfer the lands.
    - (3) The State Forestry Department may use moneys available to the department from

- any public or private funding source to facilitate a transfer of lands by the board under this section. The board and the department shall carry out the transfer of the lands in a manner that is consistent with the board's responsibilities.
- (4) ORS 270.100, 270.110, 270.130 and 273.275 do not apply to a transfer of lands under this section.
- (5) ORS 530.110 does not apply to lands retained by the board under subsection (1)(b) of this section for management outside the framework described in ORS 530.050.
  - (6) The board may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.
- (7) This section does not affect the ability of the board or the department to dispose of lands described in this section in any manner otherwise provided for by law.

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