

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 5/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Adjusts reserve boundaries in comprehensive planning maps adopted by Metro and previously adjusted by Legislative Assembly.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: State land use laws require Metro to maintain a 20-year supply of buildable land within the urban growth boundary (UGB). On October 20, 2011, the Metro Council unanimously adopted Ordinance No. 11-1264B (Ordinance), which expanded the UGB to fill a projected unmet need for housing and industries. After holding public hearings, the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) voted unanimously to accept the expansion of the UGB by the Ordinance on June 14, 2012. Three appeals of the decision were subsequently filed with the Court of Appeals. On February 20, 2014, the Court of Appeals reversed and remanded decisions made by LCDC, Metro, and the three urban counties of the Portland region designating urban and rural reserves. In 2014, the Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 4078, which validated Metro’s urban growth boundary and the Washington County urban and rural reserves adopted by Metro, except for certain areas.

House Bill 2047 would correct certain place names that were misidentified in the 2014 legislation.