

House Bill 3104

Sponsored by Representative BOQUIST (at the request of Mike Propes)

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**.

Directs State Parks and Recreation Department to enter into agreement with Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments to perform dredging and other maintenance activities on Willamette River. Allows Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments to contract with other entities to perform dredging and other maintenance activities. Directs department to fund dredging and other maintenance activities from State Parks and Recreation Department Fund.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to maintenance of the Willamette River.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Legislative Assembly finds that the Willamette River from river mile**
5 **50 to river mile 165 has not been dredged or maintained since 1976. However, an analysis of**
6 **the benefits of dredging and other maintenance activities of that section of the Willamette**
7 **River was authorized by section 1, chapter 1068, Oregon Laws 1999.**

8 **(2) Although funding for the performance of the analysis of dredging and other mainte-**
9 **nance activities was not provided under chapter 1068, Oregon Laws 1999, the Mid-Willamette**
10 **Valley Council of Governments, an intergovernmental entity established by agreement**
11 **among Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties and 39 other governmental entities under ORS**
12 **chapter 190, performed an analysis similar to that specified in section 1, chapter 1068, Oregon**
13 **Laws 1999.**

14 **(3) The State Parks and Recreation Department shall enter into an agreement with the**
15 **council to promote the dredging and other maintenance activities on the Willamette River**
16 **from river mile 50 to river mile 165 that were determined beneficial under the study con-**
17 **ducted by the council.**

18 **(4) In addition to any powers of the council determined by the intergovernmental agree-**
19 **ment creating the council under ORS 190.010, the council may contract with any person or**
20 **public body, as defined in ORS 174.109, to perform dredging and maintenance activities. The**
21 **council shall ensure that any person dredging or removing material from the Willamette**
22 **River obtains all required local, state and federal authorizations, permits or approvals.**

23 **SECTION 2. For the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, notwithstanding ORS 390.134, the**
24 **State Parks and Recreation Department shall make available up to \$3 million from the State**
25 **Parks and Recreation Department Fund to the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Govern-**
26 **ments for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2005 Act.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.