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To: Environmental Quality Commission
From: Leah Feldon, Director
Subject: Agenda item H, Informational item: 2024 Legislative Session Debrief
March 21-22, 2024, EQC meeting

Purpose of item DEQ will inform and update the commission on outcomes from the 2024 legislative session.

Background On Feb. 5, 2024, the 82nd Oregon Legislative Assembly convened for the 2024 annual session. Even-year sessions are limited in the state constitution to 35 calendar days. Representatives and Senators are each allowed to introduce two personal bills. Committees are also allowed to introduce a limited number of bills for consideration.

DEQ closely tracked and engaged on approximately 30 of the nearly 300 measures introduced. In addition to policy bills, the agency advanced multiple budget requests and a request to seek federal funds through a Climate Pollution Reduction Grant application.

DEQ staff will provide a complete summary of policy and budget outcomes of interest to the commission and DEQ at its March meeting.

EQC involvement DEQ reports regularly to the commission on the outcomes of legislative sessions.

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