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Open for important updates from this year's Legislative Session!

2023 BY THE NUMBERS

2970 total bills were introduced

1758 bills in the House

1212 bills in the Senate

653 total bills passed both chambers

234 were Democrat sponsored

61 were Governor/Exec. branch bills

229 were agency/other bills

80 were bipartisan sponsored

49 were Republican sponsored



We wrapped up another Legislative session in Salem on June 25th, and I wanted to share some of the highlights with you. I know you all have busy lives, and trying to keep tabs on all the happenings in Oregon's Capitol is probably the last thing you had time for—especially with nearly 3,000 bills introduced! This is a brief overview of what we're seeing in our state government—good, bad, and otherwise.

Getting to serve you is what this job as State Representative is all about—and what an honor it is! My office is always here as a resource for you, so please do not hesitate to reach out if you need help with government agencies, have concerns over the legislation we're seeing come out of Salem, or just want to better understand things about our government. I look forward to hearing from you!

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Results

2023 OREGON LEGISLATIVE SESSION OUTCOMES

GOOD BILLS THAT PASSED

SB 498 estate tax relief for farm and timber families

HB 2073 CAT tax (hidden sales tax) reforms for agricultural processors

HB 2645 cracking down on fentanyl possession with harsher penalties

GOOD BILLS THAT DIED

HB 2973 repealing Measure 110 which legalized use of hard drugs

SB 795 allows counties to resume management of forest lands to mitigate lost logging revenues

HB 2897 allows hunting of cougar on private property with landowner permission

HB 2433 increases exemption to \$5 million on Oregon's *hidden sales tax*, known as the corporate activity tax (CAT)

HB 2526 establishes toll-free hotline for information on available pregnancy resources

HB 2223 allocates funding to schools for school resource officers (SROs)

BAD BILLS THAT PASSED

HB 2100 sweeping fee increases at DMV, most drastically for truck drivers

HB 2107 expands automatic voter registration to include Oregon Health Authority

HB 3409 expanding Oregon Climate Action Commission and increasing energy regulations

SB 611 creates more rent control, driving up rent prices

BAD BILLS THAT DIED

SJR 26 removing requirement that the "tax kicker" (excess tax revenues) be returned to taxpayers

SB 348 bypasses the courts to force implementation of Measure 114 (gun control)

HB 3297 imposes per-mile road use tax on new cars starting in 2028

SB 525 banning gas-powered tools like chainsaws and generators

SB 603 creates \$1,000/month payments to homeless individuals

HB 3312 increases tax on beer, wine, and cider by 1200%

SB 803 banning all petroleum diesel state-wide by 2030

SB 579 allowing felons and inmates to vote

THE MAJOR HEADLINES GUNS, GENDER & ABORTION

HB 2005 PASSED an omnibus gun bill targeting concealed carry, unserialized guns, and people under 21 owning rifles/shotguns, but was *amended down* to only limit homemade "ghost" guns

HB 2002 PASSED started as a sweeping expansion of abortion / gender-change care without parental notification, was *largely gutted* to require parental consent



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ON YOUR
2024
BALLOT:

SJR 34 establishing a commission to raise salaries of Legislators, Governor, Secretary of State, Supreme Court Judges, and other office holders

HJR 16 giving the power of impeachment of the Executive branch to the Legislature, aligning Oregon with every other state in the nation

HB 2004 overhauling electoral system to implement a state-wide ranked choice voting system only being used by two states in the nation



2023 HOUSE DISTRICT 11

District Funding

\$5,254,255 Lebanon Airport
Taxiway Reconstruction

\$300,000 City of Halsey's
new well

\$780,000 Linn-Benton Food
Share delivery vehicles and
equipment upgrades

\$250,000 Every Child Linn
Benton to help families in
foster care

\$370,000 City of Sodaville's
well conversion

MCDOWELL CREEK FALLS, LEBANON OR

GUN CONTROL HELD UP IN COURT

MEASURE 114 UPDATE

The most common question I receive from constituents is for an update on Measure 114—the nation's most extreme gun control measure. It passed narrowly by voters in November, 2022, and was originally scheduled to go into effect December 8, 2022, but was blocked by a State judge in Harney County. There are both Federal and State court cases challenging the Constitutionality of Measure 114, and on July 14, a Federal judge ruled it Constitutional. An immediate appeal was filed, and likely won't be heard until next year, and may well be appealed clear to the US Supreme Court. **The State court case is scheduled to be heard in September, but as of today, Measure 114 has not gone into effect.** *If either Court finds the measure unconstitutional, it will remain blocked.*