

## Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission

February 26, 2024

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Agenda Item: 3a **Information**

Public Comment Allowed: **Yes**

Topic: **Legislative Update**

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### **Background:**

The 2024 short legislative session began February 5 and will wrap up by March 10, 2024. This session includes a limited number of bills introduced by legislators and committees.

It is anticipated that budget issues will be addressed in one omnibus budget bill for the session. As of the first week of session, that bill has not yet been introduced.

Of the 280 bills currently introduced, OPRD is tracking approximately 50. This includes bills that have statewide impact or are tracked due to their potential for amendments.

During the first week of the five-week session, agency staff testified on a federal grant request and in support of creating a task force commemorating the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of America.

Agency staff will continue to monitor legislation and amendments for any impacts on the agency.

**Prior Action by Commission:** Approved moving agency legislation forward in April 2022.

**Action Requested:** none, information only

**Attachments:** none

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