



## SB 1507 A: Amendments Needed

**The first four SECTIONS of the bill are non-critical technical changes to rural medical miles, IDA contributions, kicker changes, and energy subsidies**

### **“Manure Digesters”**

**Remove Sunset Extension** SECTION 13 extends the sunset until **January 1, 2022**. This subsidy is up for review next year.

**The Subsidy Reduction may be too steep for small digesters.** This will be investigated during the sunset review process. Or, accept this reduction with great gratitude and kudos to the industry and watch to see what happens. SECTION 2(8) reduces the subsidy from \$5 to \$3.50 per wet ton.

### **Subsidy for “Film Industry”**

**Reduce limit on the amount a single film can receive from 50% to 10% or 20% of total funds received per biennium.** 50% would be \$12.5 million per film, 10% would be \$2.5 million. If current funding is too low, allowing a single film to receive such a high percentage of total funds will starve more sustainable growth.

**A better idea for the new a \$200 per diem/employee day for filming more than 30 miles beyond the Burnside Bridge.** SECTION 7(4)(a)

Current law provides subsidies of 10% of employee salaries, wages and benefits and 20% of any other expenses incurred in Oregon, including food and lodging (See SECTION 7(2)(b))

Rather than starting a new per diem program, change the current 20% expenses structure to:

- 16% in the Portland area, where the industry is now well established
- 20% in the middle value territories defined by the minimum wage law
- 22% in the lowest value territories defined by the minimum wage law

**Retain the current \$10 million per year subsidy of the F&V industry**