



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 3, 2024

SUBJECT: Consideration of the Establishment of a School Support Fee of 15% for the Deschutes County Rural Enterprise Zone

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of Chair signature of Resolution No. 2024-011 establishing a School Support Fee of 15% for the Deschutes County Rural Enterprise Zone.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Deschutes County Rural Enterprise Zone (E-Zone) program encourages economic development by waiving property taxes on declared investments for eligible businesses. Passed in 2023, HB 2009 requires the governing body of each school district along with the governing body of the enterprise zone sponsor to set a rate for the school support fee imposed by HB 2009.

The Bend-La Pine School District has coordinated to set the rate, which must be at least 15% and not more than 30%. The school district is responsible for collecting the fee directly from the business. The Bend-La Pine School District recommends a 15% rate.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

TBD

ATTENDANCE:

Steve Curley, REDI