74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2091

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. C. Edwards

House Committee on Government Accountability and Information Technology

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Beyer, Edwards C., Girod, Thatcher, Riley

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 1/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows the Secretary of State to reduce fees for filing certain documents related to the Uniform Commercial Code.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Efforts to streamline electronic filing
- Statutory flexibility to make similar change elsewhere that does not exist in this case
- Opportunity to pass savings on to customers

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Secretary of State maintains records of financing statements related to perfection of security interests and agricultural liens. The Secretary of State currently charges a fee of \$10 for filing and indexing records. Requests for information from filing offices are also currently assessed a \$10 processing fee. House Bill 2091 deletes the requirement that the Secretary of State charge a fee of \$10 for such transactions, and instead allows the Secretary to charge a fee of *up to* \$10 for such transactions.