74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Health Policy & Public Affairs

FISCAL: No fiscal impact Action: Do Pass Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Carter, Gordly, Kruse, Courtney, Monnes Anderson Yeas: Navs: 0 Exc.: 0 **Prepared By:** Shannon Strumpfer, Administrator **Meeting Dates:** 2/28

MEASURE:

CARRIER:

HB 2158

Sen. Kruse

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies the role of the Advisory Committee to the Director of Veterans' Affairs.

ISSUES DISCUSSED: Provisions of the measure.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Department of Veterans' Affairs Advisory Committee is appointed by the Governor for no more than two four-year terms. The committee meets every three months and in August of each year, the committee submits a report to the Governor on all matters pertinent to the administration of the department. Under current statutes, the Director of Veterans' Affairs must receive the approval of the Advisory Committee to use funds to aid war veterans' organizations and receive the Advisory Committee's consent and approval to adopt procedural rules and regulations to distribute funds as the Director deems advisable.

House Bill 2158 removes the language requiring the "consent and approval" from the Advisory Committee and changes it to advise the Director of Veterans' Affairs.