74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2159 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Consent

House Committee on House Veteran's Affairs

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No Fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Boquist, Cowan, Schaufler, Scott, Barker

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 1/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Deletes the monetary limit on farm loans to veterans.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

ODVA can not lend against income-producing property

• The current maximum home loan is \$417,000

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendments

BACKGROUND: Under current statutes a veteran is limited to a loan of \$185,000 for the home portion of an agriculture/farm property. In 1984 and 1986 the federal tax law changed adding restrictions on the "Qualified Veteran Mortgage Bonds that the Department could sell to make veteran home loans.

House Bill 2159 would remove the limit of \$185,000 and align Oregon statutes to the federal tax law changes.