74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2243 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Riley

House Committee on Government Accountability and Information Technology

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 4 - 0 - 1

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

Nays: 0

Exc.: Thatcher

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/10, 4/17

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies the expiration date for certain licenses, permits and certificates to allow agencies to establish by rule different expiration dates. Removes the discretion of applicants to choose at the time of renewal of the license between the normal license term and extended license term offered by an agency. Allows an agency to amend administrative rules without hearing or prior notice for the purpose of changing the name of an office, program or division or to correct an address or telephone number. Changes authorization for creating combined license processing pilot projects within Department of Consumer and Business Services to combined license processing programs and deletes sunset on combined licensure program provisions. Provides for payment for licenses directly to an agency if the agency contracts with a county or other public body for issuing the licenses. Removes requirement that Director of Aviation Department have airport operations and management experience.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Purpose of allowing agencies to set expiration dates by rule
- Qualifications of Aviation Department Director

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Deletes provisions amending ORS 183.705 and ORS 377.730. Allows an agency to amend rule without hearing or prior notice for purposes of changing the name of an office, program or division, or to correct the address or telephone numbers referred to in the rules. Changes authorization for creating combined license processing pilot projects within Department of Consumer and Business Services to combined license processing programs and deletes sunset on combined licensure program provisions. Provides for payment for licenses directly to an agency if the agency contracts with a county or other public body for issuing the licenses. Removes requirement that Director of Aviation Department have airport operations and management experience.

**BACKGROUND:** House Bill 2243-A deletes the specified expiration date for a number of licenses, permits and certificates issued by various state agencies. The licensure period would not be affected; rather, the agency would be allowed to designate by administrative rule the date at which the license would expire. The measure is permissive, allowing the agency to either maintain its current licensure schedule as outlined by statute or adopt a new one by rule.

Agencies that are affected by House Bill 2243-A include the Department of Transportation, the State Board of Pharmacy, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Consumer and Business Services, the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Water Resources Department, the Department of Agriculture, the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, the Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, the Board of Naturopathic Examiners, the Veterinary Medical Examining Board, the Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians, the Mortuary and Cemetery Board, the Real Estate Commissioner, the State Marine Board, and the Department of Aviation.

Other provisions of House Bill 2243-A include allowance of agencies to change division or program names and telephone numbers or addresses by rule; authorization for creating combined license processing pilot projects; payment of license fees directly to state agencies in certain circumstances; and revision to the qualifications for Director of the Department of Aviation.