

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
<b>Vote:</b>	7 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Berger, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Rosenbaum, Smith P., Schaufler
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	1/26, 2/2

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Clarifies statute under which a person may apply for a hearing regarding the assessment of civil penalty by the Director of the Employment Department for a violation concerning the transfer or acquisition of a trade or business.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of the measure

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** HB 2249 corrects an oversight in cross-referencing sections of law from HB 2124 (2005), which prohibits businesses from transferring or acquiring a business primarily for the purpose of obtaining a lower unemployment tax rate. While HB 2124 referenced ORS 657.283 as the basis for the Oregon Employment Department to request and hold a hearing on state unemployment tax dumping decisions, the bill failed to add a reference to ORS 657.480, relating to the effect of transferring of a trade or business, into ORS 657.283.