74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2449-A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Dallum

House Committee on Workforce and Economic Development

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 7 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Barnhart, Dallum, Girod, Holvey, Lim, Riley, Witt

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 1/31

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Designates the Columbia Gorge Discovery Center as the Oregon Ice Age Museum

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Possibility of fiscal impact
- Pending federal legislation to create the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail which passes through Oregon
- Ability of Center to raise matching funds for federal grants

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Deletes reference to ODOT and the Oregon Heritage Commission.

BACKGROUND: The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center is the official interpretive center for the Columbia River National Scenic Area. The Center is developing an Ice Age Exhibition slated to open in October 2007. Proponents assert that designation of the Discovery Center as the Ice Age Museum will assist the Center in attracting further funding.