

**REVENUE:** Revenue statement issued

**FISCAL:** May have fiscal impact; statement not yet issued

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**Action:** Do pass as amended; be printed engrossed; be referred to Ways and Means by prior referral

**Vote:** 8-0-1

**Yeas:** Berger, Butler, Gelser, Olson, Read, Rosenbaum, Witt, Barnhart

**Nays:**

**Exc.:** Bruun,

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/07, 4/16

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**WHAT THE BILL DOES:** Declares findings of the legislative assembly on economic benefit of services provided by the Oregon state police. Allocates money from the Economic Development Fund for Oregon State Police.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Economic Development role of the Policing.
- Oregon is 49<sup>th</sup> in states for troop strength. From 650 in 1979 to 300 today.
- Presence and safety for work they provide.
- 65 million as the 10% of uncommitted lottery.
- Traffic deaths.
- Quality of life that brings economic development.
- Assertion from legislative council for the definition of economic development.
- 5% of lottery funding 160 troopers.
- Recommendation to Ways and Means.

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:** Changes the \$65 million amount to a 5% from the unallocated lottery funds for the patrol services.

**BACKGROUND:**

The lottery funds are restricted to be used for certain constitutionally defined purposes. Economic Development, Education, Parks and bonds receive fixed percentages from the lottery proceeds. Oregon State police will be receiving \$65 million under this bill as an economic development activity function that is eligible under the constitutional dedications. The amendment dedicates 5% of lottery funds to the patrol services. This percentage amounts to about \$32.6 million in the 2007-09 biennium.

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