74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session **MEASURE: HB 3361 CARRIER:** 

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Business and Labor

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference

Vote:

Yeas: Berger, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Rosenbaum, Schaufler

Nays: Exc.: Smith P.

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/6, 4/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows a Public Employees Retirement System retiree who is employed by either the Legislative Assembly or the Oregon State Police to be employed for all or any part of a regular or special session without affecting their status as a retired member. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

## ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Provisions of the measure

Benefits of experienced staff working for the legislature

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

**BACKGROUND:** Current statute establishes that if a Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) retiree works for the Legislative Assembly or as part of the Oregon State Police's security force during a legislative session, their retirement benefits do not accrue and contributions cannot be made either by the individual or on their behalf.

HB 3361 maintains the retirees' PERS membership status for those who work for the Legislative Assembly or the Oregon State Police during either a regular or special legislative session.