74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session **MEASURE: HB 3395 CARRIER:**

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Business and Labor

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Workforce and

Economic Development

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> Berger, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Rosenbaum, Smith P., Schaufler Yeas:

Nays: 0 0 Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 3/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Prohibits denying unemployment insurance benefits to an otherwise eligible individual who has qualified for benefits on the basis of part-time work or who seeks suitable and comparable part-time work, or an otherwise eligible individual who has completed temporary work and whose last employer has not guaranteed future work. Requires the Director of the Employment Department, in determining whether a job that is available to a claimant is suitable, to consider the duration of an available job, the likelihood that temporary work might lead to permanent work, and the likelihood that a claimant will find permanent work by continuing a job search rather than seeking or accepting temporary work.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Referral to Committee on Workforce and Economic Development

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: HB 3395 modifies current Oregon Employment Law to codify that unemployment insurance benefits may not be denied to an otherwise eligible individual who has qualified for benefits on the basis of part-time work or temporary work, or who seeks suitable and comparable part-time work or temporary work under rules adopted by the Oregon Employment Department.