74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: HJM 7

CARRIER:

Rep. Rosenbaum

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Business and Labor

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Be Adopted **Vote:** 4 - 3 - 0

Yeas: Edwards C., Holvey, Rosenbaum, Schaufler

Nays: Berger, Esquivel, Smith P.

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 4/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Urges Congress to pass the Employee Free Choice Act.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure
- Current status of H.R. 800
- Statistics regarding union organizing

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Employee Free Choice Act of 2007 (H.R. 800) amends the current National Labor Relations Act to establish an efficient system for enabling employees to form, join, or assist labor organizations, to provide for mandatory injunctions for unfair labor practices during organizing efforts, and for certifying a union as a bargaining unit's representative if the National Labor Relations Board finds that the majority of employees have signed authorizations designating the union as its bargaining representative.

HJM 7 urges Congress to enact the Employee Free Choice Act "to protect and preserve for America's workers their freedom to choose for themselves whether or not to form a union."