

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Elections, Ethics, and Rules
<b>Vote:</b>	7 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Barnhart, Dallum, Girod, Holvey, Lim, Riley, Witt
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	5/21, 5/23, 5/30

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows Port of Morrow to apply to the governing body of Morrow County for approval of a proposal to develop a speedway destination site. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Potential for economic development in Morrow County
- Strong support of local voters for project
- Need to narrow scope of exemption from state land-use process

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

**BACKGROUND:** For the last five years, the Port of Morrow has been working through the state land-use planning process to craft a comprehensive plan for the development of a major motor speedway in Morrow County. In 2005 the Legislative Assembly through Senate Bill 1094 attempted to expedite the process by exempting the Port of Morrow's application from certain land-use regulations. Since the passage of Senate Bill 1094, the Port's application has changed and, therefore, not all of the exemptions of Senate Bill 1094 apply to the new application.

Senate Bill 665-A would allow the Port of Morrow to seek approval of a master plan from the governing body of Morrow County rather than proceeding with a new application through the state land-use planning process.