74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER:

SB 694 B

Rep. Komp

House Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 6 - 3 - 0

Yeas: Barker, Bonamici, Komp, Krieger, Read, Macpherson

Navs: Cameron, Flores, Whisnant

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/18, 5/31

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Creates Class A violation of restrictive confinement of a pregnant pig.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Practices of pig farmers in Oregon
- Violation preferable to misdemeanor

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Makes offense a Class A violation as opposed to a Class A misdemeanor.

BACKGROUND: SB 694 A creates a Class A violation for "restrictive confinement of a pregnant pig" if a person does each of the following three elements:

- 1) confines a pregnant pig,
- 2) for more than 12 hours in any 24-hour period,
- 3) in a manner that prevents the pregnant pig from:
 - a) lying down and fully extending its limbs, or
 - b) turning around freely (defined as being able "to turn in a complete circle without an impediment, including a tether, and without touching any side of the enclosure")

There are specific exceptions for a pregnant pig that is: 1) being transported, 2) part of a rodeo or state or county fair, 3) being slaughtered, 4) part of lawful research, 5) being examined by a veterinarian, or 6) in the seven-day period before the pig farrows (gives birth).

SB 694 B defines "pig" and "turning around freely." It applies to the confinement of pigs after January 1, 2012.