74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 779 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Sen. Metsger

Senate Committee on Education & General Government

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

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Kruse, Metsger, Morse, Westlund, Walker

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 4/10, 4/26

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires State Board of Education to adopt rules for school district complaint process. Requires process to include specific timelines for completing complaint process and rendering final decision. Permits appeal of final decision to Superintendent. Declares an emergency; effective July 1, 2007.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Parallel process of Department of Education rule-making
- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND: Currently, OAR 581-022-1940 requires school districts to implement a complaint process for any person who resides in the district or any parent or guardian of a child attending a school in the district. A complaint may be appealed to the Superintendent of Public Instruction after exhausting local procedures or 45 days after the original complaint is filed with the school district, whichever occurs first.