

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. D. Edwards
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Johnson

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass the B-Engrossed Measure with Amendments to Resolve Conflicts and Be Printed C-Engrossed

Vote:

House

Yeas: Buckley, D. Edwards, Galizio, Garrard, Gilman, Jenson, Kotek, Richardson, Shields, G. Smith

Nays:

Exc: C. Edwards, Nathanson

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Carter, Girod, Johnson, Monroe, Nelson, Verger, Walker, Whitsett, Winters

Nays:

Exc:

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Meeting Date: June 29, 2009

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes the name of the Economic and Community Development Department (OECDD) to the Oregon Business Development Department. Changes the name of the Oregon Economic and Community Development Commission to the Oregon Business Development Commission. Creates the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority (IFA) and the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority Board within the Oregon Business Development Department. Establishes the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in the fund to the Department to promote infrastructure development. Transfers responsibilities of the Oregon Economic and Community Development Commission and the Economic and Community Development Department to and among the Oregon Business Development Commission, the Oregon Business Development Department and the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority. Transfers the Office of Minority, Women and Emerging Small Business from the Department of Consumer and Business Services to the Oregon Business Development Department. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Resolves conflicts.

BACKGROUND: The Economic and Community Development Department operates programs relating to business development and programs relating to community development. Although these programs are related, the Department requested statutory authority to reorganize to allow the two categories of programs to operate more independently and to have separate governing bodies. The reorganization is designed to improve the operations of both the business development and community development programs.