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**MINORITY REPORT**

**MEASURE: HB 2227 B**

**CARRIER: Sen. Atkinson**

**75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session**

**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee on Environment & Natural Resources**

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: No fiscal impact**

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**Action:** Do Pass with Amendments to the A-Eng. Measure (Printed B-Eng.)

**Signers of the Report:** Sen. Atkinson and Sen. Boquist

**Prepared By:** Beth Herzog, Administrator

**Meeting Dates:** 5/7, 5/26

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Outlines destination resort mapping process that Jefferson County started in January, 2006 and timeline of Land Conservation and Development Commission's recommendation that Legislative Assembly establish an area of critical state concern. Finds that it is the policy of the state to promote Oregon as a vacation destination. Recognizes that destination resorts are a critical planning tool to assist local communities in addressing high rates of unemployment. Recognizes that subject to requirements a county has authority to site destination resorts. Establishes that a county may approve siting of a destination resort on land within an area designated as an area of critical state concern if the county included the land on a map of eligible lands prior to the designation.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Limit on non-overnight lodging
- Eastern Oregon's economy
- Original intent of destination resort statute was to draw new economic activity
- Potential conflicts with agriculture infrastructure and practices
- Increased fire protection costs and risks to the public

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces the measure.

**BACKGROUND:** In 1984, the Commission adopted provisions of a goal relating to recreational needs that allowed for the siting of destination resorts outside urban growth boundaries. In 1987, provisions of the goals were enacted into law. Destination resorts were originally authorized to encourage tourism.

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