75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Judiciary

MEASURE: CARRIER: HB 2275A CONSENT

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

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Action:	Do Pass as Amended, Be Printed Engrossed, and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:	8 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Krieger, Shields, Smith J., Stiegler, Whisnant, Barker
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Garrett, Olson
Prepared By:	Bill Taylor, Counsel
Meeting Dates:	2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Clarifies that a person eligible for and receiving assistance pursuant to Title IV-A of the Social Security Act is presumed not able to pay child support. Allows a person seeking relief from an out-of-state support enforcement order to challenge the order in the originating state or in this state in the same manner that an Oregon order could be challenged. Clarifies that a court may give a dollar for dollar credit against child support arrearages for any social security or Veterans' benefits paid for arrearages, not just lump sum payments. Establishes that past support arrears owed at the time of application for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families are not required to be assigned to the state.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

• Welfare recipients are presumed not able to pay child support

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Establishes that past support arrears owed at the time of application for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families are not required to be assigned to the state.

BACKGROUND: Pursuant to Title IV of the Social Security Act the federal government gives the states block grants for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families. In return for these funds, the federal government places restrictions and requirements upon the use of this money. Certain people are presumed unable to pay child support. This bill clarifies that someone receiving temporary assistance is presumed not able to pay child support.