75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session **MEASURE: CARRIER:**

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Business and Labor

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

Action: Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules

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> Barton, Cameron, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Kennemer, Matthews, Thatcher, Schaufler Yeas:

HB 2593

Navs: Exc.: Witt

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Meeting Dates: 2/25, 4/22

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires the Public Employees Retirement Board to allow retired members and beneficiaries to make voluntary monthly contributions to labor organizations. Requires that cost of administering the measure's provisions be paid from contributions made by members and beneficiaries.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure
- Current pilot program which carries out the measure's provisions
- Fiscal impact to the Public Employees Retirement Fund

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: HB 2593 allows Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) retirees to have labor organization dues deducted from their monthly retirement payment. Retirees can choose for the deduction to take the place when they apply for retirement benefits or when PERS offers it once per year, and can be cancelled at any time.

To offset the costs of administering the program, the measure requires that the service be funded solely through the participants' contributions.