75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2630 A CARRIER: CONSENT

House Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Communities

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended, Be Printed Engrossed, Be Placed on the Consent Calendar, and

Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Revenue

Vote: 8 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Beyer, Gilliam, Krieger, Roblan, Schaufler, VanOrman, Wingard, Clem

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 3/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Abolishes the Oregon Fryer Commission. Provides for distribution of commission account balance to commission members. Declares an emergency and takes effect upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Commission's original purpose was primarily for marketing, which is no longer a priority
- Growers need to put their money toward other purposes; feed and propane in particular

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Clarifies disbursements that may be owed to growers for payout over a one-year period.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Fryer Commission has existed for more than fifty years to promote Oregon-grown frying chickens. Abolishment is sought because the market and the economy have changed since the Commission's inception that obviate its purpose.