75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 660 A CARRIER: CONSENT

House Committee on Administration

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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

Vote: 5 - 0 - 2

Yeas: Hanna, Komp, Maurer, Olson, Roblan

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Exc.: Nolan, Speaker Hunt

Prepared By: Patrick Brennan, Administrator

Meeting Dates: 5/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes state employees to voluntarily request that pay be deducted from their salary or wages for the purpose of making a donation to the Oregon State Capitol Foundation. Continuously appropriates such moneys to the foundation. Declares an emergency and takes effect upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Projects funded by the Oregon State Capitol Foundation
- Benefits of payroll deduction option

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Adds emergency clause.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon State Capitol Foundation was established with the passage of Senate Bill 1220 in 1997. The Oregon State Capitol Foundation's vision is to "create a living history, enhance the dignity and beauty of the Capitol, and foster cultural and educational opportunities." The foundation's mission is to "preserve the historical integrity of the State Capitol and its immediate adjacent areas, to recognize the history of activities of state government that have occurred in the State Capitol, and to celebrate the contributions of persons who have participated in state government at the Capitol." The foundation has been involved in planning and funding projects such as the Congressional Medal of Honor Memorial adjacent to the United States and Oregon flags and the Walk of the Flags display on the west side of the Capitol.

Senate Bill 660-A allows state employees to directly contribute to the preservation of the Oregon State Capitol by setting up a voluntary payroll deduction donated directly to the Oregon State Capitol Foundation.