## 75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2010 Special Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Consumer Protection and Public Affairs

KEVENUE: NO revenue impaci	
FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued	
Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	George, Girod, Rosenbaum, Bonamici
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Burdick
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Meeting Dates:	2/2

## **REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Increases annuity coverage by Oregon Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association from \$100,000 to \$250,000. Makes technical changes. Declares an emergency; effective on passage.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

• Current amount of annuity coverage

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** An annuity is an investment product in which an insurance company pays a consumer income at regular intervals in return for a premium payment made in a lump sum or over a contractual period. Although the amount of a typical annuity has grown, the coverage limit in Oregon has not increased since 1991. The limit is currently \$100,000, lower than the \$250,000 FDIC coverage limit and the \$250,000 level recommended by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Many states, including Washington and Idaho, have higher limits than required by current Oregon law.