76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY MEASURE: HB 2150 A CARRIER: Sen. Girod

Senate Committee on Business, Transportation, and Economic Development

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 4 - 1 - 1

Yeas: Edwards, Girod, Starr, Beyer

Nays: Atkinson Exc.: Burdick

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Meeting Dates: 5/3, 5/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes that wholesale malt beverage and wine licensees can sell malt beverages containing no more than nine percent alcohol by volume in quantities no less than four gallons to any unlicensed organization, lodge, picnic party or private gathering. Prohibits an unlicensed organization, lodge, picnic party or private gathering from subsequently selling the malt beverages.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Possible amendments regarding ability of local jurisdictions to require a temporary cessation of alcoholic beverage sales
- Differences between measure and House Bill 2924 A.
- Types of beverage companies that would benefit from the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 2924 (2011) establishes that an Oregon Liquor Control Commission brewery licensee can sell malt beverages that are brewed at the licensees' premises, up to four gallons, to any unlicensed organization, lodge, picnic party or private gathering. While the measure increased the maximum amount of alcohol by volume to brewery licensees, the increase that was given to breweries was not extended to wholesale malt beverage and wine licensees, who have the same privilege of selling malt beverages to these organizations. House Bill 2150 A extends similar privileges by allowing the sale of malt beverages of no more than nine percent alcohol by volume to any unlicensed organization, lodge, picnic party or private gathering. In turn, the unlicensed groups are prohibited from selling the malt beverages.