## 76TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY SENATE FINANCE AND REVENUE COMMITTEE

REVENUE: No Revenue Impact FISCAL: Fiscal Impact Issued

Action: Do Pass Vote: 3-0-1

Yeas: Hass, Morse, Burdick

Nays: 0 Exc.: Telfer

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**Meeting Dates: 5/11** 

**WHAT THE BILL DOES**: Eliminates explicit requirements for the Oregon Department of Revenue to mail hard copies of approvals of district descriptions and maps to the county assessors. Removes requirement that assessors mail hard copies of forms for property tax returns to the owners of property. Removes requirement that the Oregon Department of Revenue provide public notice in a newspaper printed at the state capital for three weeks when the assessment rolls are publicly reviewed each year on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Eliminates requirement that owners of land specially assessed as open space or riparian lands to use registered or certified mail to report on the use of these lands, if such report is requested.

**MEASURE: HB 3368** 

**CARRIER: Sen. Hass** 

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

Issues were discussed in the public hearing for HB 2477, which was identical to HB 3368, except for the relating clause.

- Adequate notice for the public of these changes and property tax in general especially for members of the public who are not electronically inclined
- Ensuring notice is received through first class mail versus certified mail

## **EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:**

**BACKGROUND:** HB 2920, passed in 2009, created the Task force on Effective and Cost-Efficient Service Provision. The task force reviewed state and county shared services for effectiveness and cost-efficiency. One of its recommendations was to transform hard-copy, manual processes to electronic processes, eliminating paper-based notices where possible.

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