76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Health Care, Human Services & Rural Health Policy

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 4 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Bates, Kruse, Morse, Monnes Anderson

Nays: 0 Exc.: Shields

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Meeting Dates: 5/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Defines mastectomy for purposes of statute requiring health benefit plan coverage of mastectomy and services related to mastectomy.

MEASURE: HB 3616 A

CARRIER: Sen. Bates

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

• Clarification provided by definition

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The federal Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 provides protections to patients who choose to have breast reconstruction in connection with a mastectomy. Current Oregon law mandates that health insurers cover enumerated mastectomy-related services. For purposes of this mandate, House Bill 3616-A defines "mastectomy" as the surgical removal of all or part of a breast or a breast tumor suspected to be malignant.