

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Adopt the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote:	6 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Atkinson, Burdick, Edwards, Girod, Starr, Beyer
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	5/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Urges Congress to develop an expedited approval process for applications to allow for unmanned aerial testing in rural areas with high unemployment.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Unmanned aerial vehicle as an economic development tool for Oregon
- Growth in the unmanned aerial vehicle industry
- Eastern Oregon's abundance of sparsely populated land
- Educated workforce in Oregon

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Unmanned aircraft are currently prohibited from operating in general airspace. Allowing testing in rural areas would increase the desirability of unmanned aircraft manufactures to operate in Oregon.