76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 52 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Sen. George

Senate Committee on General Government, Consumer and Small Business Protection

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass **Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bonamici, Boquist, George, Monroe, Shields

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 2/2, 2/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Provides additional methods by which state agencies may give notice of proposed sale of real property. Specifies that in certain cases a state agency that does not sell a property within an 18-month period after the advertised date of sale need not provide further notice in order to sell the property.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Ineffectiveness of newspaper advertising in soliciting bids

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Under current law, for the purpose of obtaining purchase proposals, a state agency seeking to sell real property in its possession is required to provide notice of the proposed sale in at least one local newspaper for a minimum of three successive weeks. In the event that the property is not sold in the 18 months following the sale notice, the three-week newspaper notice process must be repeated.

Proponents of Senate Bill 52 assert that state agencies generally do not receive purchase proposals in response to newspaper notices, and that the results do not warrant the cost of advertising. The Department of Administrative Services has indicated that the cost of a three-week advertisement ranges from \$465.50 in the Daily Journal of Commerce to \$1,380.29 in the Eugene Register-Guard.

Senate Bill 52 expands the means at a state agency's disposal for providing notice of impending sale of real property. In addition to a newspaper advertisement, notice may be posted on the Internet, distributed by e-mail, placed in a printed publication or communication, or listed with a real estate agent.