76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session MEASURE:

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Jenson

Carrier – Senate: Sen. Edwards

Revenue: No revenue impact Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass **Vote:** 20-4-1

<u>House</u>

Yeas: Beyer, Buckley, Cowan, Komp, Kotek, McLane, Nathanson, Nolan, Richardson, Whisnant

Nays: Freeman, Garrard, G. Smith, Thatcher

Exc: Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Girod, Johnson, Nelson, Thomsen, Verger, Whitsett, Winters

Nays:

Exc: Monroe

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Meeting Date: May 13, 2011

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Increases maximum annual license fee for retailer seed license and wholesaler seed license. Retailer fee cap is raised from \$40 to \$75. Wholesaler fee cap is raised from \$400 to \$750.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

• ODA's role to ensure seed growers get paid by seed buyers.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Any person who offers or sells agricultural or vegetable seed directly to the consumer or user for planting must have a retail seed dealer license issued by ODA. Any person who sells, offers, or holds for sale, agricultural or vegetable seed to retailers, distributors, brokers or other wholesalers for resale must hold a wholesale seed dealer license issued by ODA. The current annual fee for such licenses has been in effect since 2000.

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