

**76TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
2012 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
SENATE FINANCE AND REVENUE COMMITTEE**

**MEASURE: HB 4093 - A
CARRIER: Sen. Hass**

REVENUE: Revenue Impact Statement Issued

FISCAL: Minimal Fiscal Impact

Action: Do Pass

Yeas: Hass, Morse, Telfer, Burdick

Nays: 0

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 2/28

WHAT THE BILL DOES: Increases number of additional rural enterprise zones that may be designated from 17 zones to 20 zones and the number of urban/rural enterprise zones from 15 zones to 20 zones. Allows rural enterprise zones to increase to 15 square miles in size and to have 15 miles as the greatest distance between two points, but does not change size limits of urban enterprise zones. Allows a sponsor of a terminated enterprise zone to apply for a new enterprise zone 10 years after termination. Requires enterprise zone sponsor to report on any of the 3 new rural enterprise zones and 5 new urban or rural enterprise zones designated pursuant to this measure.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Revenue increases to General Fund due to enterprise zone's exemption
- Economic impacts to communities of the jobs created in enterprise zones

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS: None

BACKGROUND: Currently, the number of enterprise zones is limited to 17 rural and 10 urban or rural zones in addition to 30 older zones. The measure would expand the rural zones by 3 and the urban or rural enterprise zones by 5. Current statute also prohibits an enterprise zone sponsor to apply for a new enterprise zone if the sponsor has had an enterprise zone terminated under ORS 285C.245 (4) or (5.) That is a termination that is either voluntary or due to not meeting requirements. The measure allows a sponsor of a terminated zone to sponsor a new zone if 10 years has passed.