77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Business & Labor

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	7 - 0 - 3
Yeas:	Fagan, Holvey, Kennemer, Matthews, Thompson, Witt, Doherty
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Barton, Thatcher, Weidner
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Meeting Dates:	2/18, 2/25

REVENUE: No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows licensees of Oregon Liquor Control Commission to sell wine, cider and malt beverages in certain containers supplied by consumers. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Expansion of growlers beyond wineries
- Expansion of beer growlers to other licensees
- Environmental impact of growlers
- Growler use in other countries
- Need for dispensers to have valid OLCC server permit

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Creates consistency between wine, cider and malt beverages such that each may be dispensed into certain containers supplied by consumers. Requires person filling containers to have valid OLCC service permit. Adds emergency clause.

BACKGROUND: Oregon law currently allows the holder of some types of OLCC liquor licenses to sell malt beverages in clean, re-usable, securely covered containers provided by the consumer for off-site consumption, commonly known as a "beer growler." House Bill 2443-A would expand this to allow wine and cider to be sold in "growlers" with a maximum capacity of two gallons per container.