

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 4 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Dingfelder, Kruse, Roblan, Prozanski

Nays: 0

Exc.: Close

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Meeting Dates: 4/2, 4/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Eliminates Oregon Driver's License suspension from the conviction of possession of less than an ounce of marijuana. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Because possession of less than an ounce of Marijuana is a violation, people charged are unlikely to have an attorney or understand the implications of this conviction. This leads to people losing their license without representation, and oftentimes without notice that this is a possibility.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND: The mere fact that less than an ounce of marijuana is possessed should not necessarily implicate ones driving privileges.