77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: HCR 17

CARRIER: Sen. Steiner Hayward

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Health Care & Human Services

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

 Action:
 Be Adopted

 Vote:
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Yeas: Knopp, Kruse, Shields, Steiner Hayward, Monnes Anderson

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 4/22

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Declares commitment of Legislative Assembly to making lung cancer awareness public health priority.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Lung cancer patient personal experience
- Importance of early detection
- Public health priority
- Lung cancer statistics nationally and statewide

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in 2011, lung cancer was the second leading cause of death in the United States. Proponents assert that increased education and awareness could increase research funding and access to early detection screenings, which could improve outcomes for the thousands of Oregonians afflicted with and at risk for lung cancer.

House Concurrent Resolution 17 shows the Legislative Assembly's commitment to making lung cancer a public health priority by supporting advocacy work on behalf of lung cancer patients and those at risk for the disease.