77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Close, Dingfelder, Kruse, Roblan, Prozanski

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs Department of Transportation and Department of Corrections to work with Judicial Department to assist formerly incarcerated individuals in apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs with reinstatement of drivers' licenses suspended for nonpayment of fines.

MEASURE: HB 2986 A

CARRIER: Sen. Roblan

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- This will help a very small population, around 100 people per year
- This will help people who need their license to make a transition to being productive members of society
- There were technical computer system reasons not to include this small group of people in the hardship statute

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 802.087 directs the Department of Transportation and the Department of Corrections to adopt rules and enter into interagency agreements necessary to assist offenders in obtaining a driver license or identification card prior to their release. House Bill 2986 A adds provisions to allow formerly incarcerated individuals in apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs to petition the court for reinstatement of drivers licenses that were suspended for nonpayment of fines.