77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Veterans' Services and Emergency Preparedness

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

 Action:
 Be Adopted

 Vote:
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Yeas: Boone, Esquivel, Fagan, Huffman, Parrish, Witt, Matthews

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

Prepared By: Elizabeth Edwards, Administrator

Meeting Dates: 5/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Honors pilots and volunteers with Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West.

MEASURE: SCR 15

CARRIER: Rep. Parrish

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Cost of air transport in rural Oregon
- Total value of flights donated by Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West
- No limits on number of flights per patient or family
- Gratitude for time, skill, and value provided through volunteer service
- Routes taken by Oregon Wing of Angel Flight West

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Angel Flight West arranges free, nonemergency air travel for children and adults with serious medical conditions and others whose lives have been disrupted by illness, disaster, or other life-altering events or compelling needs. Angel Flight West is nonprofit, dependent upon its volunteers, and a network of 1,600 pilots throughout the 13 western states who donate their aircraft, piloting skills, and all flying costs, to help others overcome medical, financial, and geographic barriers.