

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Kennemer
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Beyer

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure as Amended and as Printed B-Engrossed

Vote: 16 – 9 – 1

House

Yeas: Barker, Buckley, Frederick, Huffman, Komp, Nathanson, Read, Smith, Tomei, Williamson

Nays: Freeman, Hanna, Jenson, McLane, Richardson

Exc:

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Monroe, Steiner Hayward, Winters

Nays: Girod, Hansell, Thomsen, Whitsett

Exc: Johnson

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Meeting Date: June 19, 2013

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Provides that in awarding contracts and leasing spaces, the Port of Portland may establish best value standards and criteria, taking into account factors that include: (1) experience, technical capability and past performance; (2) the qualifications, compensation and retention policies of bidding contractors and lessees with respect to the staff and subcontractors operating at the port; and (3) the potential local and regional benefit within the port, the surrounding community, the region and the state.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Fiscal Impact

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the bill.

BACKGROUND: The Port of Portland has the statutory authority to regulate the use of Port property, but its power is limited to users who serve to promote aviation, commerce, or industry, as opposed to the general welfare. Proponents of the bill believe an attempt to impose best value standards at the airport could be legally challenged on the ground that such an action is beyond the Port's legal authority.

HB 2927 gives the Port of Portland explicit authority to establish best value standards and criteria when awarding contracts and leasing space. The standards and criteria may take into account the qualifications, compensation and retention policies of contractors and lessees with respect to the staff and subcontractors operating at the port.