77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

MEASURE: SB 831-A

Carrier – House: Rep. Read Carrier – Senate: Sen. Shields

Revenue: No revenue impact **Fiscal:** Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and as Printed A-Engrossed

Vote: 25 - 0 - 1

<u>House</u>

Yeas: Barker, Buckley, Frederick, Freeman, Hanna, Huffman, Jenson, Komp, Nathanson, Read,

Richardson, Smith, Tomei, Williamson

Nays:

Exc: McLane

<u>Senate</u>

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Girod, Hansell, Johnson, Monroe, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Whitsett, Winters

Nays: Exc:

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Meeting Date: June 25, 2013

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes amount of money received from federal government that Department of Transportation must expend to increase diversity in highway construction workforce and prepare individuals interested in entering highway construction workforce by conducting specified activities. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Fiscal impact

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Clarifies that one half of one percent, up to \$2.1 million, shall be expended to increase diversity in the highway construction workforce.

BACKGROUND: The bill aims to increase support for minority, women, and emerging small businesses in the construction trades. There has been broad rhetoric in support of this type of initiative.