

**77TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
2013 REGULAR SESSION
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE**

**MEASURE: HB 2036-A
CARRIER: Rep. Barnhart**

REVENUE: Revenue Impact Statement Issued

FISCAL: Fiscal Impact Issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 5-3-1

Yeas: Bailey, Gelser, Read, Vega Pederson, Barnhart

Nays: Bentz, Berger, Davis

Exc.: Conger

Prepared By: Mazen Malik, Economist

Meeting Dates: 03/14, 03/15, 07/07

WHAT THE BILL DOES Enhances enforcement of the 911 tax by the Department of Revenue.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The background of the tax and what functions it funds.
- Different ways and difficulties of the 911 Response Centers.
- Collections and the different methods of paying the tax.
- Incidence of the tax, who collects and equity.
- The level of compliance and the ability to do it and enforce it.
- Revenue impacts of the enhanced enforcement.
- Role of the Department of Revenue.
- VOIP, and inclusion of it under the current law.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS: The amended measure changes the enforcement language for DOR in order to administer the 911tax while emphasizing the providers of prepaid wireless and VOIP. Introduces reporting requirements and schedules, and allocates additional 0.25% of revenue collected to DOR for enforcement and administration.

BACKGROUND:

There is presently a 75 cent per month tax on every subscriber who has telecommunication services with access to the 9-1-1 emergency reporting system. This tax is collected by the service provider from the subscriber. The program collects about \$39 million a year, but is set to expire on January 1, 2014.

**State Capitol Building
900 Court St NE, Room 143
Salem, OR 97301-1347**

**Phone: 503-986-1266
Fax: 503-986-1770
<http://www.leg.state.or.us>**