78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 133 **PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER:**

Senate Committee on Business and Transportation

REVENUE: FISCAL:

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action: Vote:

Yeas: Nays: Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes the Department of Consumer and Business Services to enter into agreements with public bodies to allow access to public body's construction-related services through Department's electronic building codes information system. Enables information system to include coordination and tracking of construction-related services. Removes sunset on building permit surcharge used to fund operation of electronic building codes system.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: In 2003, Oregon's Building Codes Division worked with local government, contractors and the Legislative Assembly to implement a pilot project for an electronic or e-permitting building permit system. Legislation was passed in 2005 and 2007 moving the program from pilot, to a regional, then statewide service to contractors and local government. The 2007 legislation included a sunset provision in order to allow evaluation and renewal. Senate Bill 133 seeks to remove the sunset and make e-permitting available to additional local governments that provide construction-related services.