Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 800

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Fiscal: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued Sub. Referrals: Joint Committee On Ways and

Revenue: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued Means

Action Date:

Action:

Meeting Dates: 03/10

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

• Establishes task force on reserve funds. Directs task force to review existing reserve funds in terms of performance and adequacy. Specifies task force membership, consisting exclusively of legislators. Directs Legislative Fiscal Officer and Legislative Revenue Officer to provide support for the task force. Directs task force to issue report to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2016.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Volatility of current revenue system.
- History of Oregon's reserve funds.
- Commitment of Pew Charitable Trusts to provide assistance to the task force.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon currently has two operational reserve funds. The Education Stability Fund established in the constitution in 2002 and the Oregon Rainy Day Fund, statutorily created in 2007.