78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 818 **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: 4/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs Department of Transportation to open field offices to public on Saturdays. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: In January 2012, the Oregon Department of Transportation (Department) informed the Legislative Assembly that the Department would be closing Saturday services across the state, although Saturday's are the busiest day of the week at some locations. For example, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) located in south Salem received approximately 11,000 customer visits during 2011.

Having hours of operation set from Monday through Friday does not accommodate to working families who may be unable to take a work day off. SB 818 would direct ODOT to open field offices on Saturday, and advertise those hours.