78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

MEASURE: SB 299 CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Jeff Rhoades, Counsel	
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows Oregon resident to purchase or otherwise obtain long gun for transport into Oregon from any state provided purchase or transfer is conducted in person.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 166.490 currently provides that a resident of Oregon may purchase a rifle or shotgun in a contiguous state and either receive it in Oregon or have it transported to Oregon. "Resident" is specifically defined in the statute as "an individual or a corporation or other business entity that maintains a place of business in this state." "Contiguous state" is defined as California, Idaho, Nevada or Washington. The only restriction on such a purchase or transfer is when the purchase or transfer violates the laws of Oregon, the contiguous state where the firearm was purchased or federal law. Senate Bill 299 changes this process to all for purchase in any state in the union. The law specifies, however, that the transfer must have been conducted in person in order to be lawful.