

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact

Revenue: Has minimal revenue impact

Action Date: 04/08/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 04/08

Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Baertschiger Jr, Boquist, Edwards, Hass, Riley

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Clarifies appeals right, of any party to an appeal, to appeal entire unit of property value as defined in ORS 310.160(1), which consists of all contiguous property under common ownership within a single code area in a county.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- When an appeal is brought, other components of the overall account of property may be subject to change in value
- Measure to disincentivize appeals for components of property if overall value of property is not in dispute.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Under current law when a party appeals the real market value of one or more components of a property tax account, any other party to the appeal may appeal any value of the property tax account being appealed. However, there is opportunity to selectively appeal accounts which are only a single component of an overall unit of property. If for example one account is valued high while another account is valued low, and the value of the entire unit of property is not in dispute, then only appealing the value of the account that is valued high could lead to a lowering of the overall value of the account even though the overall value is not in dispute.

Changes provided in House Bill 2483 would allow other parties to an appeal, to appeal the value as it relates to the entire unit of property which could be the summation of several accounts and their values. For example, if an appeal was brought by the property owner specific to a single tax account, other parties to the appeal such as the county assessor could appeal other tax accounts of the property so long as the accounts comprise the same unit of property.