

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 02/23/15

Action: Do Pass As Amended And Be Printed Engrossed.

Meeting Dates: 02/10, 02/23

Vote:

Yeas: 8 - Barnhart, Bentz, Davis, Johnson, Lininger, Read, Smith Warner, Vega Pederson

Nays: 1 - Whitsett

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies meeting schedule for State Debt Policy Advisory Commission to annually form every six months.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Debt capacity report.
- Bonds and debt trends since the year 2000.
- Members of the Debt Advisory Commission.
- The long term forecast for debt capacity.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

-2 Establishes the long-term forecast of the state's borrowing capacity targets by incorporates the most recently published multiyear revenue forecast by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 286A.250(7) requires SDPAC to meet at least twice a year. Meeting twice a year has not been the practice, and the commission has operated with annual meetings

The duties of the commission (SDPAC) are stipulated in **286A.255**

Functions and duties of commission. The State Debt Policy Advisory Commission shall advise the Governor and the Legislative Assembly regarding policies and actions that enhance and preserve the state's credit rating and maintain the future availability of low-cost capital financing. In carrying out this function, the commission shall at least annually prepare a report showing the consolidated bond profile of this state. The report must include:

- (1) The total amount of outstanding bonds for the most recently concluded fiscal year.
- (2) A six-year forecast of the state's borrowing capacity targets by repayment source based on the policies and actions established under this section.
- (3) A calculation of the state's net remaining borrowing capacity by repayment source. [Formerly 286.555]