

HB 2325 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Business and Transportation

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Meeting Dates: 4/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies the initial terms of office for members of the Travel Information Council to ensure that no more than three terms expire on the same date. Directs Council to hire an executive director, who is to be subject to Council supervision.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

[-1 amendment] Specifies that two members serve for a term ending June 30, 2022.

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

REVENUE: No revenue impact

BACKGROUND:

The Travel Information Council (TIC) is a nine-member board, consisting of eight volunteer members appointed by the Governor and one member of the Oregon Transportation Commission, that provides oversight for Oregon Travel Experience (OTE). Board membership must include at least one individual from each of Oregon's five congressional districts. OTE manages a number of programs that affect the driving public, including: the highway logo sign program (information regarding food, gas and lodging at upcoming exits); the Oregon Heritage Tree program; the Oregon Historical Marker program; and onsite rest area supervision for specified rest areas.

House Bill 2325 resets the statutory terms of TIC members, beginning in June of 2018, to ensure that no more than three members' terms are up in any one year. The measure also provides statutory authority for the Council to hire and supervise the OTE executive director.

HOUSE VOTE: 57-0