

HB 2900 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Business and Transportation

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Meeting Dates: 5/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes ports to advertise activities of the port and activities of others using port facilities.

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

REVENUE: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon's system of 23 public ports play an important role in helping Oregon products begin their journeys to markets throughout the world. Nine ports are on the Columbia River system, including the deep-water ports of Astoria, St. Helens and Portland, while 14 ports are on the Oregon coast.

Under ORS 777.240, Oregon ports are authorized to advertise and promote the facilities and commerce of the port. This authority does not allow ports to advertise non-commerce activities that take place at the port's facilities, including activities involving users of the port.

HOUSE VOTE: 57-0