HB 2039 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

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Meeting Dates: 5/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Specifies that a proposed annexation of 100 acres or more is approved if a majority of votes cast in the city and a majority of votes cast in the territory to be annexed favor annexation. Specifies that votes from a city and a territory to be annexed be combined to determine single majority if the territory proposed for annexation includes less than 100 acres.

Fiscal statement issued, no revenue impact

House Vote: Passed. Ayes, 40; Nays, 18--Alonso Leon, Bynum, Evans, Gomberg, Gorsek, Hernandez, Holvey, Keny-Guyer, Marsh, McKeown, McLain, Meek, Nosse, Power, Rayfield, Smith Warner, Sollman, Williamson; Excused, 2--Boone, Smith G.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon law stipulates that if a city charter, ordinance or resolution requires a city to conduct an election concerning annexation, electors in the area proposed for annexation must be allowed to vote (ORS 222.750). A majority is determined by combining votes from electors from the city and electors from the area proposed for annexation.

House Bill 2039 would require votes from city electors and those from the area proposed for annexation to be counted separately to determine separate majorities if the territory to be annexed includes 100 acres or more.