HB 2290 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Transportation Policy

Action Date: 04/12/17

Action: Do pass with amendments

and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 6-3-0-0

Yeas: 6 - Evans, McKeown, McLain, Meek, Vial, Witt

Nays: 3 - Barreto, Noble, Wilson Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued Revenue: Revenue impact issued Prepared By: Tim Walker, LPRO Analyst

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Adjusts certain fees imposed by the Department of Transportation Division of Driver and Motor Vehicles.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Increased fees based on December 2015 cost study
- Need of the Division of Driver and Motor Vehicle Services to recover the costs of producing various products
- Possible integration with transportation funding package
- Potentially phased-in increases

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Adjusts the costs of various products of the Division of Driver and Motor Vehicle Services and directs the Department of Transportation to conduct a cost study once every two years and report to the Legislative Assembly by January 31 of every odd-numbered year.

BACKGROUND:

Most fees imposed by the Oregon Department of Transportation's Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division (DMV) were originally set to cover the cost of service, with vehicle title and registration fees set to produce additional revenue for the State Highway Fund. Nearly all DMV fees are set in statute; in cases where the cost of providing the service exceeds the fee collected, revenue that would otherwise be deposited into the State Highway Fund is then used to cover the difference between the fee and the actual cost of providing the service. In 2013, the DMV studied 72 different fees to determine whether the current fee covered the cost of providing the service. The study found 30 of the fees needed to be raised to cover the cost of service. Most of the fees were related to licenses, permits, skills tests, suspensions, and reinstatements.

House Bill 2290-A adjusts the costs of various DMV products and directs the Department to conduct a driver and motor vehicle cost of services study to determine the actual costs of providing driver and motor vehicle products and services and whether the fees for specific driver and motor vehicle products and services cover the costs of providing those products and services. The Department is also directed to report by January 31 of each odd-numbered year to a legislative committee with primary responsibility for transportation.