

HCR 39 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Smith DB

House Committee On Rules

Action Date: 06/01/17

Action: Be Adopted.

Vote: 8-0-1-0

Yeas: 8 - Barreto, Hack, Holvey, Kennemer, McLane, Nosse, Smith Warner, Williamson

Exc: 1 - Rayfield

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expresses intent of Legislative Assembly to support continued coordination and collaboration between Oregon and China to increase trade opportunities and strengthen mutual economic development relationships.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Economic and trade opportunities with China
- Oregon-China Sister State relationship
- Agricultural commodities Oregon exports to China
- Expanding economic development in new sectors

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon and China have worked to coordinate and increase Oregon exports to China and Chinese investments within Oregon while the domestic product growth in Oregon has increased by more than 4.5 percent.

In 2016, China was Oregon's number one trade partner with \$3.7 billion in Oregon exports, which benefited more than 20,000 jobs in Oregon. China also stimulates Oregon's tourism as the number one source of international visitors with more than 60,000 Chinese citizens visiting Oregon annually. The continued work between the Oregon-China Sister State Relations Council and the Oregon China Sister State Committee is helping to broaden the opportunities for bilateral relations, trade, business, education, culture and tourism between Oregon and China.

House Concurrent Resolution 39 expresses the intent of the Legislative Assembly to support continued coordination and collaboration between Oregon and China to increase trade opportunities and strengthen mutual economic development.