HB 2595 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Rules

Action Date: 02/27/19
Action: Do Pass.

Vote: 6-0-1-0

Yeas: 6 - Boles, Holvey, Nosse, Smith Warner, Williamson, Wilson

Fiscal: No fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates: 1/30, 2/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies period of time during which former member of Legislative Assembly is prohibited from receiving compensation for lobbying.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The timing of annual sessions
- Fixed period of time
- Similar laws in other states

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2007, Oregon's revolving door statute - ORS 244.045 - was amended to prohibit former legislators from receiving compensation for lobbying, for at least one full regular session. Given the existence of both "short" and "long" regular sessions, the length of the prohibition varies and can range from approximately one month to approximately 16 months. House Bill 2595 replaces this scheme with a fixed period of one year from the date the member ceases to hold office.

Carrier: Rep. Fahey