**Senate Bill 695**

Sponsored by Senator ROBLAN, Representatives MCKEOWN, GOMBERG

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Eliminates cap on amount of debt that ports may incur by promissory note.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to promissory notes issued by ports; amending ORS 777.447.

 SECTION 1. ORS 777.447 is amended to read:

777.447. In addition to other powers granted a port, a port may, at any time, upon proper resolution adopted by the board, issue promissory notes to assist it in carrying out the powers granted the port under this chapter. The promissory notes shall not exceed a term of five years, shall be considered bonds for purposes of ORS chapter 287A and shall be issued as prescribed in ORS chapter 287A. A port [may not have more than $1 million in promissory notes outstanding at any one time and] may not pledge or use tax-derived revenues to retire the notes. The notes shall be signed by the president and the treasurer of the port and shall state what assets and revenues of the port shall be security for the notes and that the notes do not constitute a full faith and credit pledge of the port. No officer or employee of the port shall hold promissory notes under this section. Expenditure of note proceeds and payment on notes issued under this section shall first be properly budgeted in accordance with the Local Budget Law.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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