HB 3324 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Transportation

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes the Oregon Vehicle Industry Board. Transfers duties, functions, and powers of the Department of Transportation related to regulation of vehicle dealers and dismantlers to the Board. Specifies Board becomes operative January 1, 2022. Repeals Oregon Dealer Advisory Committee. Specifies repeal becomes operative January 1, 2024. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

[NOTE - measure has subsequent referral to Committee on Ways and Means]

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Dealer Advisory Committee (ODAC) is a statutory advisory body (ORS 802.370) organized to advise the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) on the administration of laws regulating vehicle dealers. Members are appointed to ODAC by the ODOT Director to represent both vehicle dealers and members of the general public. The Department's Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division (DMV) provides staff support for ODAC.

House Bill 3324 abolishes the Oregon Dealer Advisory Committee and replaces it with a 13-member Oregon Vehicle Industry Board, with members appointed by the Governor to represent franchise dealers of new vehicles, used vehicle dealers, Oregon dismantlers, the general public, recreational vehicle dealers, vehicle dealership office management, auto auctions, motorcycle/ATV dealers, and the Office of the Governor. Appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate. The Board is directed to select a chair from among its members, and appoint a director to serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The duties, functions, and powers of ODOT related to vehicle dealers and dismantlers are transferred to the Vehicle Dealer Board, and the Board is empowered to adopt rules necessary for administration of laws related to motor vehicle dealers and dismantlers.

House Bill 3324 also establishes the Vehicle Industry Account, to consist of moneys collected from issuance or renewal of vehicle dealer and dismantler certificates, show licenses, late fees, and other sources. Moneys in the Account are used for purposes of the Board.