SB 607 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Transportation

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Meeting Dates: 5/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes the Legislative Administration Committee to enter into an agreement with the City of Salem to assign authority over certain parking spaces. Authorizes Committee to impose parking regulations over spaces during times when the spaces are within the exclusive control of the Committee. Directs the Department of State Police to enforce regulations imposed by the Committee. Directs the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to collect fines for violation of parking restrictions. Authorizes presiding officers of the Legislative Assembly to provide parking permits for use of metered parking spaces free of charge during legislative sessions in underground parking lot beneath State Capitol State Park.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

On-street parking for the streets around and in the vicinity of the Oregon State Capitol is managed by the City of Salem. Most parking controlled by parking meters, of which three types are used: coin-operated meters, electronic meters, and electronic pay stations in paid parking areas (which includes on-street parking and parking garages). Meters have different time limits, ranging from two hours to 10 hours. The rate for paid parking is \$1.50 per hour, up to a maximum \$15 for all-day parking. Parking meters do not make change or offer refunds

Parking meter enforcement in Salem is between 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM in the Capitol Mall area, Monday through Saturday. Parking at meters is free on Sundays and legal holidays.