74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Judiciary

*** CORRECTED *** MEASURE: HB 2508 A CARRIER: Rep. Barker

REVENUE: No revenue impact		
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Action:	on: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed	
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J	Yeas:	Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Flores, Komp, Krieger, Read, Whisnant, Macpherson
Γ	Nays:	0
I	Exc.:	0
Prepared By:		Darian Stanford, Counsel
Meeting Dates	5:	2/7, 3/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows cities to operate cameras designed to photograph drivers who fail to obey traffic control devices ("red light cameras").

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Statistics demonstrating effectiveness of red light cameras on safety
- Choice is up to city/local body

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: (1) Eliminates limitation on numbers of intersections in which city can install cameras (presently 12 for Portland and eight for everywhere else); (2) Eliminates requirement that Oregon Department of Transportation provide report to legislature on process; (3) Eliminates any population threshold necessary for city to install camera (present law is 30,000; bill proposes 10,000); and (4) Amends ORS 810.436 in non-substantive manner.

BACKGROUND: ORS 810.434 allows cities with populations over 30,000 and Newberg to install and operate red light cameras at the city's expense. Presently, Portland is limited to no more than 12 cameras.

HB 2508 amends ORS 810.434 by lowering the threshold population from 30,000 to 10,000 and eliminating the specific Newberg exception (Newberg's population is approximately 20,000, so it would be covered by the amendment automatically).