74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Education & General Government

FISCAL: No fiscal impact Action: **Do Pass** Vote: 5 - 0 - 0Kruse, Metsger, Morse, Westlund, Walker Yeas: Navs: Exc.: 0 Dana Richardson, Administrator **Prepared By: Meeting Dates:** 5/15

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows public agency entering agreement for joint or cooperative action with public agency in another state to require other state's public entity to indemnify the public agency in this state against tort claims.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Applicability to Oregon Health and Science University
- Provisions of the measure •

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Public entities in Oregon, including cities, counties, special districts, commissions, authorities, state agencies, and the Oregon Health and Science University, may enter into interstate cooperation agreements. These agreements do not relieve the public agency of legal obligations or responsibilities, and all such agreements must be submitted to the Attorney General prior to taking effect. Under interstate cooperative agreements, public agencies may expend funds, and sell or otherwise transfer personnel or services to the other entity.

House Bill 2583 allows a public agency entering into an interstate cooperative agreement to include as part of that agreement a requirement that the other state's agency indemnify the Oregon agency against any tort claims or demands arising out of alleged acts or omissions occurring during performance of an action in the other state.

MEASURE: CARRIER: