75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY **House Committee on Transportation**

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued Action: Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference Vote: 9-0-1 Bailey, Bentz, Berger, Boone, Edwards D., Kahl, Schaufler, Weidner, Beyer Yeas: Navs: Exc.: Gilman **Prepared By:** Patrick Brennan, Administrator **Meeting Dates:** 2/23

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Increases pilot registration fees from \$8 to \$12 and renewal fees from \$16 to \$24.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Rising cost of search and rescue operations
- Support for measure by Pilots Association and Airport Managers Association

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 837.020 requires every pilot operating within Oregon to register with the Department of Aviation within 60 days of issuance of any appropriate effective federal certificate, permit, rating or license relating to competency as a pilot (student pilots are required to register prior to their first solo flight). Nonresidents are also required to register with the department if they are flying in Oregon either recreationally or for personal business. Nonresident pilots flying for major air carriers are exempt from the registration requirement, provided that is the only flying they do within Oregon.

Initial pilot registration is \$8 for one year, with renewal every two years for \$16. House Bill 2150 increases the annual fee for pilot registration to \$12 and renewals to \$24. Fees raised by the measure are to be used to defray the cost of search and rescue operations.

MEASURE: CARRIER: