## 76TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY 2011 Regular Session PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE

MEASURE: HB 3078 CARRIER:

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, statement not yet issued FISCAL: May have revenue impact, statement not yet issued

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EXHIBIT:

HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE DATE: 3/22/2011 PAGES:

SUBMITTED BY: PAUL WHANE

Action: Vote:

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Exc.:

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Meeting Dates:

3/22

WHAT THE BILL DOES: Expands investment options for the Oregon Growth Account to include loans to small business corporations operating in traded sector markets.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:** 

## **EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:**

**BACKGROUND:** The Oregon Growth Account was established to provide venture capital for emerging growth businesses. It was originally created as part of the Education Endownment Fund. The endowment fund received a constitutionally dedicated 15% of Lottery earnings. The Oregon Growth Account received 10% of the distribution to the endowment fund. In 2002, Oregon voters converted the Education Endowment Fund into the Education Stability Fund. The dedication of Lottery revenue was increased to 18% at that time. The Oregon Growth Account continued to receive 10% of the revenue flowing into the fund until the 2009 Legislature reduced the percentage to 5% for 4 years starting July 1, 2009. The Oregon Growth Acount is projected to receive \$10.1 million in new revenue in the 2011-13 biennium.

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