## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Judiciary

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued	
Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Hicks, Krieger, Olson, Tomei, Williamson, Barker
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	3/14, 3/27

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows Post Office (P.O.) Box to be used for transaction with a scrap metal business if listed on a government issued photo identification card. Allows check to be released to an individual upon law enforcement approval if check is not delivered to the intended recipient within 10 days. Allows anyone to deliver scrap metal as long as payment received by commercial seller or nonprofit listed. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Effectiveness of Senate Bill 570
- Reduced burden to business
- Use of P.O. Boxes by rural households

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Deletes portions of the original bill that deal with non-profit organizations. Removes ability to pay in cash. Allows anyone to deliver the scrap metal as long as payment is sent to commercial seller or nonprofit on recycler's list.

**BACKGROUND:** The 2009 Oregon legislature passed Senate Bill 570, designed to curb metal theft. The bill was effective January 1, 2010 and had several requirements for businesses who sell, buy or transport scrap metal. In the 2010 special session, the legislature made a few changes to Senate Bill 570. Those changes required payment to be made only by check and the check must be mailed to an address that matches the address on their identification. House Bill 2403 A allows a check to be sent to a P.O. Box if that address is listed on a government issued photo identification card.

In addition, currently a recycler can request permission from law enforcement that payment be made directly to an individual only if the check was <u>returned</u> as undeliverable. House Bill 2403 A allows a recycler to ask law enforcement to release payment for checks that are lost or undelivered. House Bill 2403 A also clarifies that anyone can deliver the metal as long as payment goes to the nonprofit or commercial entities listed on the list recyclers are required to keep under current law.