FULL COMMITTEE PONY

SB 269 Relating to aviation fees

SB 269 raises pilot registration, aircraft registration, and airport registration fees. These fee increases are expected to raise almost \$220,000 over the 2015-17 biennium. The additional revenue will allow the Department of Aviation to operate at the current service level during the upcoming biennium, provide additional funding to Oregon Emergency Management for search and rescue activities, and provide the required ten percent match to federal funds available for airport capital projects.

Fees for pilot and aircraft registration were last raised in 2007, and public airport registration fees have been set at the flat rate of thirty dollars since 1997.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends SB 269 be reported out with a do pass recommendation.