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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES ANNOUNCED

REP. BERGER CHOSEN AS VICE-CHAIR OF THE HOUSE ELECTION, ETHICS AND RULES COMMITTEE

SALEM – Representative Vicki Berger (R-Salem) was appointed to three key legislative committees by House Speaker-Elect Jeff Merkley (D-Portland) for the 2007 legislative session. Rep. Berger will serve as the Vice-Chair of the House Election, Ethics and Rules Committee. Rep. Berger will also serve on the House Revenue Committee and the Business and Labor Committee.

"The legislative concepts that will come before these committees are of particular interest to me," said Rep. Berger. "In particular, I want to finish the work that was done during the interim regarding government ethics reform. The public deserves to have a Legislature that is fair, ethical and efficient."

During the interim, Rep. Berger served on the Oregon Law Commission's Government Ethics Work Group. The work group was charged with reviewing Oregon's government ethics laws in ORS Chapter 244 (the 'Code of Ethics') and preparing a comprehensive revision for recommendation to the next regular legislative session. The work group presented its recommendations to the Law Commission on November 15th.

The meeting times for the committees will be decided after the legislative session begins.

Rep. Berger was recently elected to her third term in the House of Representatives. During the 2005 session, Rep. Berger served as the Chair of the House General Government Committee. She also served as the Vice-Chair of the House Revenue committee. During the interim, Rep. Berger served as the Chair of the House Stable Schools Committee, Vice-Chair of the House Revenue Committee and on the House Judiciary Committee.

This press release and an archive of previous press releases issued by Rep. Berger's office are available on the web at: www.leg.state.or.us/berger.

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