

70th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 1999 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
Joint Committee on Ways and Means

MEASURE: HJR 4 A

Carriers
House:
Senate: Bryant

Fiscal Impact: Statement issued

Revenue Impact: No Revenue Impact.

Full Committee Action: Adoption of the A-Eng. measure

Vote: 10 - 5 - 4

House: Yeas - 5; Westlund, Messerle, Butler, Minnis, patridge, Lewis

Nays - 1; Leonard

Exc. - 2; Ross, Schrader

Senate: Yeas - 4; Bryant, Ferrioli, Fisher, Adams

Nays - 4; Hannon, Yih, Trow, Metsger

Exc. - 2; Qutub, Timms

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Meeting Dates: July 20, 1999

WHAT THE BILL DOES: Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to establish that marriage may only be between one male and one female and must be solemnized by law.

ISSUES DISCUSSED: The fiscal impact of adding the measure to the November 1999 Special Election called for in HB 2354.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS: None.

BACKGROUND: Oregon has no constitutional definition of marriage. Existing statutes defining marriage may, therefore, be considered unconstitutional.