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2010 Ballot Measures

By Cindy Robert, AMTA-OR Lobbyist

70: Amends Constitution: Expands availability of home ownership loans for Oregon veterans through Oregon War Veterans' Fund (Referral from the Oregon Legislature)

This measure would expand the number of veterans and surviving spouses who are eligible to receive low-interest home loans from the Oregon War Veterans' Fund by deleting timing requirements. In 1944, by legislative referral, voters amended the Oregon Constitution to create the 'Oregon War Veterans' Fund' to provide low-interest home loans to some Oregon residents who served in the United States Armed Forces and their surviving spouses. The measure will allow those who served in Vietnam era apply by deleting 30-year from service time limit and will also align the definition of "veteran" in the Constitution (currently 210 days consecutively served) with statute (178 days).

Stated Fiscal Impact to State and Local Government: None.

71: Amends Constitution: Requires legislature to meet annually; limits

length of legislative sessions; provides exceptions (Referral from the Oregon Legislature)

Measure amends the Constitution, which currently mandates the legislature meet every two years in "regular" session. Limits odd number year sessions to 160 calendar days, and even number to 35. These limits could only be extended if approved by 2/3s of the legislature.

Stated Fiscal Impact to State and Local Government: Less than \$100,000.

72: Amends Constitution: Authorizes exception to \$50,000 state borrowing limit for state's real and personal property projects (Referral from the Oregon Legislature)

Changes the Constitution to allow the state to issue general obligation bonds to finance acquisition, construction, remodeling, repair, equipping or furnishing of state owned property. General obligation bonds are the cheapest method of borrowing that they state may use and would cost less than the certificates of participation the state currently uses. The bonds

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Tarjoto

Transfer:

Heidi Olson, Washington

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would save an estimated \$5 million on interest for each \$100 million issued. The measure itself does not authorize any bonds, but allows the Legislature to enact implementing language for use of bonds. The measure does prohibit the levy of property taxes to repay the bonds and limits the amount of outstanding bonds to 1% of the real market value of the state's property.

Stated Fiscal Impact to State and Local Government: None.

73: Requires increased minimum sentences for certain repeated sex crimes, incarceration for repeated driving under influence (Chief Petitioners: James Thompson, Kevin Mannix, Glenn Pelikan)

This statutory change provides that any person convicted of a "major felony sex crime" (rape in the first degree, sodomy in the first degree, unlawful penetration in the first degree and using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct) must be imprisoned for 25 years if the person has two or more previous convictions in a single proceeding, but it does not have to be a major felony sex crime. Current law requires sentences ranging from 5 years and 10 months to 25 years, depending on the cir-

cumstances of the offense and the offender. In addition, the measure classifies driving while under the influence of intoxicants as a felony when a person is convicted of the crime for a third time in a 10 year period. The minimum term of incarcerations for this felony is set at 90 days. Under the current law, the third conviction for DUII is a misdemeanor, whereas the fourth is a felony. The sentencing guidelines would not change, with the fourth conviction still leading to a sentence of at least 13 months. The measure requires the state government to fully reimburse local government cost of incarceration.

Stated Fiscal Impact to State and Local Government: \$1.4 million the first year, \$11.4 to \$14.6 million in the second year, \$13.9 to \$21 million in the third year, \$16.7 to \$26.6 million in the fourth year, and \$18.1 to \$29.1 million each year thereafter.

74: Establishes medical marijuana supply system and assistance and research programs; allows limited selling of marijuana (Chief Petitioners: Anthony Johnson, Alice J. Ivany, James Klahr)

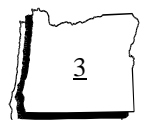
Changes state law by directing the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to establish an OHA regulated medical marijuana supply system as an additional component to the Oregon Medical Marijuana Act. The supply system would be funded through program fees and no General Fund revenue could be used. Under current law, registered medical marijuana cardholders must grow their own marijuana or have it grown for them by their caregiver or third-party grower. So, in addition to currently licensed medical marijuana grow sites, this change would allow dispensaries to grow and sell marijuana to cardholders. Any revenue beyond that needed to pay for the system would go to research, assistance to low-income cardholders and other OHA programs.

Stated Fiscal Impact to State and Local Government: \$400,000 to \$600,00 each year, but with revenue of \$300,000 to \$20 million.

75: Authorizes Multnomah County casino; casino to contribute monthly revenue percentage

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Plan Now to Join the 2011 Board!

By Vickie Stoddard, LMT #7220

In 2011, at the AMTA-OR Annual Meeting, our chapter will elect people for the following Board positions: 1st Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Treasurer and Delegates.

If you would like to know more, you can find information about these Board positions on our website at www.amta-or.org — or speak with the person who currently holds the position that interests you.

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to state for specified purposes (*Chief Petitioners: Matt Rossman, Bruce Studer*)

Change state statute to authorize a major destination resort casino to be built on the site of the former greyhound racetrack in Wood Village, Oregon. Allows the owner of the former Multnomah Kennel Club, or person he authorizes as a gaming operator, to construct and operate one multi-million dollar resort at the site. Gaming activities allowed include electronic gaming devices that may include cash payment, table games, off-track pari-mutuel racing and other games of chance. No live animal racing or sports bookmaking will be allowed. The Oregon State Lottery Commission will issue a 15-year license and will provide oversight and regulation. Public funds may not be expended and the gaming operator must pay the Oregon lottery \$2 million per year for administrative expenses. In addition, each month, 25% of the casinos adjusted gross gaming revenue shall be deposited into the "Oregon Job Growth, Education and Communities Fund" and, each year, the Fund shall allocate 50% of the revenue to all public school districts to be used for classroom instruction. Additional allocations from the fund are 30% to all Oregon counties and certain cities, 4% to Wood Village, 3% to the Oregon State Police, 3% to cities surround-



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ing Wood Village, 2% to Multnomah County, and 2% to the Problem Gambling Treatment Fund.

76: Amends Constitution: Continues lottery funding for parks, beaches, wildlife habitat, watershed protection beyond 2014; modifies funding process (*Chief Petitioners: William Thorndike, Jr., Mary Susan Pape, Brian Booth*)

Since 1999, the Oregon Constitution has dedicated 15% of net Oregon Lottery proceeds to a Parks and Natural Resources Fund. Half of the Fund is placed in a parks sub-account and applied to purposes related to state parks, ocean shore and beach access areas, historic sites and recreation areas, and grants to local governments for parks. The other half is placed in a natural resources sub-account and applied to restoration and protection of native salmon, watersheds, fish and wildlife habitats, and water quality. When program was originally placed in the Constitution, it required a vote of the people in 2014 to continue the dedication. This measure repeals the requirement and continues the dedication of lottery funds and also provides specific outcomes to be achieved by each sub-accounts and makes some changes to required uses. Such changes include mandating financing of regional parks, as well as the state and local parks currently funded, and allowing fund to be expended on protection of other native wildlife and native fish, a well as the salmonoid restoration currently funded. .

Stated Fiscal Impact to State and Local Government: None.

Want further information or to discuss pros and cons of the Ballot Measures? Always feel free to call me at 503-260-3431.



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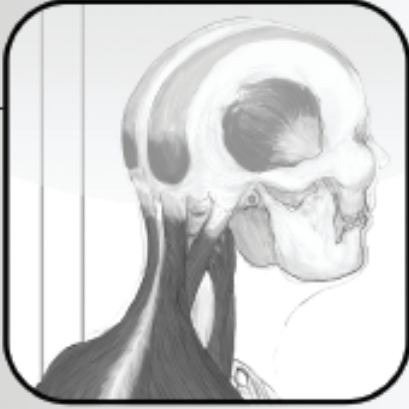
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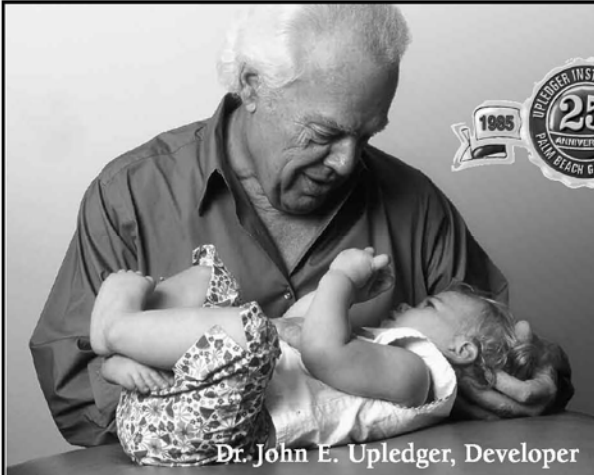


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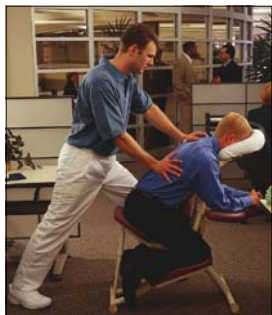
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