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## 2015 Legislative Session Convenes

SALEM—On Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, State Representative Cliff Bentz (R-Ontario) joined his 59 legislative colleagues in the Oregon House of Representatives for the reconvening of the 2015 Oregon Legislative Session. (The Session convened formally on January 12<sup>th</sup> for Organizational Days and then adjourned until the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February).

Rep. Bentz said, “It is an honor to serve the constituents of House District 60 for this, my fourth elected term in office. At the top of my list of priorities is the protection of our water rights, improving our fire-fighting capabilities, finding ways to better manage the damage caused by drought, and protecting against the passage of laws that harm District 60.”

“Also, bringing a heightened awareness of the incredible opportunities that Eastern Oregon offers the State of Oregon remains one of my most important goals, along with supporting and/or sponsoring the 65 plus bills requested by my District 60 constituents.”

Challenges which are anticipated to be presented by the Democrat Majority include: the continuation of the Low Carbon Fuel Standard, proposals to expand firearm background checks, replacing the gas tax with a vehicle mileage tax, automatic voter registrations through the DMV, increasing the minimum wage, and mandating paid sick leave for all Oregonians.

“I oppose, as I know most of my constituents would want me to, many of my Democrat Colleagues’ concepts. However, I will need your help if we are to stop at least some of these ideas from becoming law. Contact my office if you want to be involved.”

Rep. Bentz, except for infrequent weekend trips home, will remain in Salem for the duration of the 2015 Session, which will adjourn in late June or early July.

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