

## **F O R E W O R D**

### **OREGON LAWS 2013 First Special Session Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly**

**September 30 to October 2, 2013**

Pursuant to Article V, section 12, of the Oregon Constitution, the Governor by proclamation on September 23, 2013, called the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly to convene in special session.

The Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly convened in special session from September 30 to October 2, 2013, to consider and pass five bills. The Legislative Assembly then adopted House Concurrent Resolution 51 (2013 first special session), which adjourned the special session sine die.

#### **Effective Date**

Pursuant to ORS 171.022, each Act passed by the Legislative Assembly takes effect on January 1 of the year after passage of the Act unless a different date is specified in the Act. Article IV, section 28, of the Oregon Constitution, provides that an Act may not take effect sooner than 90 days from the end of a legislative session unless an emergency is declared in the Act. Unless otherwise specified in the Act, an Act in which an emergency is declared takes effect on the date it is approved by the Governor or, if neither approved nor disapproved by the Governor, on the date it is filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

Four Acts of the special session contained emergency clause provisions effective on passage and took effect on October 8, 2013, the day the Governor signed them. The fifth Act takes effect on January 1, 2014, which is the 91st day after the 2013 first special session adjourned sine die.