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Roblan named Chair of Rural Communities and Economic Development Committee

SALEM – In a recent announcement from the Senate President’s Office, Senator-elect Arnie Roblan (D-District 5) was named Chair of the new Rural Communities and Economic Development Committee for the 2013 Legislative Session.

“Rural communities like those in my district have faced challenges for decades to bring good-paying jobs and opportunities to the area,” said Roblan. “As chairman of this new committee, I will commit my energy and cooperation to finding solutions for rural areas and listening to all Oregonians about ways to boost the economy across our state.”

In May 2012, Roblan hosted the first Oregon Coast Economic Summit, which brought together local business and community leaders from Astoria to Brookings to discuss strategies for regional economic development. “I hope this newly-formed committee will put forward a strong effort to bring together leaders from across the state to advance economic development ideas for all of Oregon,” said Roblan.

In addition to being named chair, Roblan will serve on the Senate Education and Workforce Development Committee as well as the Senate Judiciary Committee and on the Joint Committee on Public Safety. As Co-Speaker of the Oregon House of Representatives in the 2011 and 2012 sessions, Roblan served on the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction and on various administrative panels.

The 77th Oregon Legislative Assembly will convene on January 14th. Committees will begin meeting for legislative business on February 4th.

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