

**Notice of City Measure Election**

26-93

**SEL 802**

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Name of City Portland

Notice is hereby given on *date of election* November 6, 2007. A measure election will be held in

*name of county or counties* Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington County, Oregon.

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters on this date: 11/6/2007

**CAPTION** 10 words

Amends Charter: Changes Fire and Police Disability members' medical benefits.

**QUESTION** 20 words

Shall police and firefighters receive medical benefits from disability system for work-related injuries after retiring from active duty?

**SUMMARY** 175 words

This measure amends the City Charter for the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement Fund (FPDR). Sworn employees of the Police and Fire Bureaus are members of FPDR. The Charter provides that FPDR shall reimburse members for reasonable medical and hospital expenses arising from work-related injuries or illness. The Charter limits those benefits to expenses incurred while members are working or receiving disability benefits, and if members do not return to active duty and remain on disability until disability retirement age, FPDR reimburses members for medical expenses related to the injury for life. Currently, when members are injured and return to active duty, FPDR reimburses members for reasonable hospital and medical expenses related to the injury until their service retirement.

This measure removes the limitation on medical expense reimbursement after retirement. Members who return to work and retire will receive the same level of reimbursement as members who retire on disability.

The Charter amendment only applies to members who retire on or after January 1, 2007.

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The following authorized city official hereby certifies the above ballot title is true and complete, which includes completion of the ballot title challenge process.

8/22/2007

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Andrew J. Carlstrom  
printed name of authorized city official

City Elections Officer  
title

# MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

## Required for all Measures Submitted with Multnomah County Elections

ELECTION DATE <b>November 6, 2007</b>	MEASURE NUMBER <b>26-93</b>	
BALLOT TITLE CAPTION <b>Amends Charter: Changes Fire and Police Disability members' medical benefits.</b>		
NAME OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTENT OF STATEMENT <b>Mayor Tom Potter</b>		
NAME OF JURISDICTION PERSON REPRESENTS <b>City of Portland</b>		
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This measure would make changes to the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement system in the Portland City Charter. The measure would change a component of the disability system relating to hospital and medical expenses in retirement.

**Background**

Currently, the Fire and Police Disability and Retirement Fund (FPDR) in Chapter 5 of the Charter of the City of Portland provides hospital and medical expense reimbursements arising from work-related injuries or illnesses only if a Member is on disability status or is actively working with the Portland Police Bureau or Fire Bureau. This means that when police officers and firefighters are injured in the line of duty, their medical care related to those injuries is covered only until they retire. After retirement, they are required to pay their own hospital and medical expenses related to the injury. This contrasts with the Oregon workers' compensation system, where an employer is required to pay reasonable hospital and medical expenses after the employee's retirement, so long as the expenses are reasonable and are related to an on-the-job injury.

**What does the measure do?**

This measure removes the limitation on hospital and medical expense reimbursement after retirement for Members of the FPDR who retire from active duty.

This measure also provides that reasonable hospital and medical expenses will be paid in retirement for a Member only if the expense is related to an accepted injury or illness, and only for hospital or medical expenses related to an injury or illness that was accepted in good faith, in a case not involving fraud, misrepresentation, an omission, or illegal activity by the Member. The monthly cost to the average residential property tax bill is estimated to be 92 cents.

Submitted by:

City of Portland City Council  
Mayor Tom Potter  
Commissioner Sam Adams  
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