

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
<b>Vote:</b>	8 - 0 - 1
<b>Yeas:</b>	Clem, Dallum, Komp, Krummel, Lim, Roblan, Whisnant, Buckley
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	Greenlick
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	2/09

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Repeals Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 181.539. Places statutes relating to criminal records checks for the Department of Education and the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission to ORS chapter 326 and ORS chapter 342 respectively. No substantive changes.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- scope of the bill and grounds for teacher license revocation

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment

**BACKGROUND:** In the 2005 session, the Legislature passed HB 2157 which was a major overhaul of the statutes relating to criminal records checks. As a result of HB 2157, most agencies that conduct criminal records checks have their own statute located in the ORS chapter that relates to that agency. Legislative Counsel was not able to do this for the Department of Education and the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission because they were intertwined in ORS 181.539. House Bill 2047 was pre-session filed by the House Interim Education Committee. It repeals ORS 181.539 so that Legislative Counsel can divide the relevant provisions and place those provisions in chapter 326 for the Department of Education and chapter 342 for the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission. By placing this information in these chapters Legislative Counsel believes that someone who is looking for the information is more likely to find it. The bill does not make any substantive changes to the criminal records check authority of the department or the commission.

Neither the Department of Education nor the Teachers Standards and Practices Commission object to this bill.