

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 9 - 0 - 0
Yeas: Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Flores, Komp, Krieger, Read, Whisnant, Macpherson
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0
Prepared By: Bill Taylor, Counsel
Meeting Dates: 2/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Makes the Law Enforcement Contacts Policy and Data Review Committee permanent. Transfers responsibility for the committee from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to Portland State University (PSU). Declares an emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Perception of bias
- First enacted in 2001

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The 2001 Legislative Assembly created the Law Enforcement Contacts Policy and Data Review Committee consisting of 11 members appointed by the Governor. The purpose of the committee is to receive and analyze demographic data to ensure that law enforcement agencies perform their mission without inequitable or unlawful discrimination based on race, color or national origin. The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission contracts with Portland State University to administer the program and pays PSU with General Fund moneys. The Department of Transportation has received a federal grant to collect data on arrest data relating to race, color and national origin. These funds will be used to pay PSU to run the program.