

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	3 - 0 - 2
<b>Yeas:</b>	Ferrioli, Kruse, Brown
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	Avakian, Monnes Anderson
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Marjorie Taylor, Administrator
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	6/11, 6/13

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires employees of the Legislative Administration Committee to post material on or install links from official webpage of member of Legislative Assembly in manner directed by the member. Specifies that a member of the Legislative Assembly who directs posting of material or installation of link is liable for violation of law that may result. Establishes that Legislative Administration Committee employee who posts material or installs link is not liable for violation of law that may result.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Recent history of legislative websites
- Concern about conflicts with elections and ethics laws
- Intent to hold legislators, not staff, accountable for website content
- Use of legislative website to communicate with constituents

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The staff of the Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), headed by the Legislative Administrator, maintains the website for the Oregon Legislative Assembly at <http://www.leg.state.or.us/>, including webpages for each legislator. LAC has developed an "Acknowledgment and Release" form for legislators to sign, releasing staff from liability that may result from legislator use of webpages provided through LAC.