## 74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 112 CARRIER: CONSENT

**House Committee on Judiciary** 

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

**Action:** Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar

**Vote:** 7 - 0 - 2

Yeas: Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Komp, Krieger, Read, Macpherson

Nays: 0

**Exc.:** Flores, Whisnant

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/3

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows the state or defendant in a criminal case to serve a subpoena for documents on a corporation or limited partnership in the manner described in the Oregon Rules of Civil Procedure (ORCP).

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Need to serve subpoenas on out-of-state corporations in criminal cases when corporation is not defendant
- Current practice for serving corporations in criminal matters
- Mechanics of ORCP 7D(3)
- Search warrants when corporation is a defendant

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

**BACKGROUND:** ORCP 7D(3) allows parties in a civil action to serve subpoenas on foreign or domestic corporations, or limited partnerships, by personally serving the registered agents, officers, directors, general partners or managing agents. The rule also provides a number of alternative methods for service, including mailing the subpoena to the corporation's principal place of business. ORS 136.580 permits the state or defendant in a criminal case to serve a subpoena for documents to be produced to the court. However, ORS 136.595, which describes how to serve a subpoena, does not expressly refer to serving corporations. SB 112 clarifies that the methods described in the civil rules for serving corporations apply in the criminal arena.