

**REVENUE:** No Revenue Impact

**FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

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**Action:** Do adopt with different amendments to the B-Engrossed resolution and be printed C-Engrossed Minority.

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**Meeting Dates:** 6/13

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**WHAT THE BILL DOES:** Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution requiring officials to verify US citizenship for people registering to vote for the first time.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The healthy kids initiative
- Children health care costs, and health care costs in general.
- Federal Poverty line
- Illegal immigration and proof of citizenship.
- Federally mandated requirements, and Social Security number requirements.
- Large amount of money to DHS.
- Smoking Reduction by education verses price increase.

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:** Changes the tobacco tax to voter registration and citizenship verification requirements.

**BACKGROUND:**

The resolution will constitutionally instate a tax increase on tobacco of 84.5 cents and 30% of whole price on the other tobacco products. This amount is on top what exists in statutes today at the rate of \$1.18 for cigarettes and 65% for other tobacco products. This constitutional amendment will be dedicated to the Healthy Kids program and other health, prevention and education programs. The dedication necessities that a different method of distribution needs to be adopted. This new method is defined in SB 3. Thus, the companion bill takes affect only if SJR 4 passes.

With the minority-report, the Senate Bill 3 is no longer effective.

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