## A-Engrossed House Bill 3516

Ordered by the House May 1 Including House Amendments dated May 1

Sponsored by Representative C EDWARDS; Representatives CLEM, D EDWARDS, RILEY, ROBLAN

## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Requires public body to verify lawful presence in United States of applicants for assistance. Creates exceptions. Defines "assistance."]

[Provides that person who knowingly makes false, fictitious or fraudulent statement in affidavit or declaration of lawful presence commits crime of perjury. Punishes each separate violation by maximum of five years' imprisonment, \$125,000 fine, or both.]

Directs Oregon Department of Administrative Services and Department of Human Services to collect data and report to appropriate interim legislative committee regarding citizenship or legal residence requirements for Department of Human Services assistance programs.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to verification of lawful presence in United States for applicants for assistance.
  - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services and the Department of Human Services are directed to work together to collect data and prepare a report on the citizenship or legal residence requirements, if any, for assistance provided by programs that the Department of Human Services operates, or contracts with entities to operate, and shall present the report to an appropriate interim legislative committee no later than July 1, 2008.
  - (2) The report described in subsection (1) of this section shall include, but is not limited to, the following information:
  - (a) The type of assistance provided by the Department of Human Services or entities with which the department contracts; and
  - (b)(A) Whether citizenship or legal residence in the United States is required to obtain the assistance;
  - (B) If citizenship or legal residence is required to obtain assistance, the proof of citizenship or legal residence that is required for each type of assistance; and
  - (C) Whether there are state or federal requirements for citizenship or legal residence and if so, what the requirements are.
  - (3) As used in this section, "assistance" means public assistance as defined in ORS 411.010, benefits and services for persons with disabilities, publicly funded or government-subsidized housing, food or nutrition programs and unemployment insurance benefits.

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