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FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended to be Printed Engrossed
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Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Olson, Smith J., Stiegler, Barker
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Meeting Dates:	1/28, 2/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) to request fingerprints from people applying to operate youth offender foster homes. Provides that any adult member of applicant's household, as defined by rule, may be fingerprinted.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Purpose of finger prints and criminal record check
- Member of household vs. "resident" at that address
- Inefficiency of having young children at residence fingerprinted

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Provides that any adult member of applicant's household, as defined by rule, may be fingerprinted.

BACKGROUND: OYA requests fingerprints for the purposes of conducting criminal records checks. Foster parents, who are charged with providing guidance and care for the juvenile offenders, are not explicitly covered by the current statute. Under present law, the OYA is authorized to request fingerprints from employees, potential employees and persons providing services to the OYA. This measure grants OYA clear authority to request fingerprints from both potential foster home operators *and* any members of the applicant's household. The amendment narrows the class of people who can be fingerprinted to adults.