

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:	8 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Krieger, Shields, Smith J., Stiegler, Whisnant, Barker
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Garrett, Olson
Prepared By:	Bill Taylor, Counsel
Meeting Dates:	2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows the Department of Justice or a district attorney to request the Department of Revenue collect past due child support from an obligor's tax refund when the obligor's child is incarcerated in a closed custody facility of the Oregon Youth Authority.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Both parents are liable for child support for a child in closed custody or in foster care

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The federal government pays two-thirds the costs for children receiving support enforcement. The State of Oregon pays the other third. If a parent owes child support and fails to pay child support, Oregon has a right to collect child support from the obligor parent, including when the child is in the custody of the Oregon Youth Authority. However, the federal government will not reimburse the state if the child is in closed custody facility of the Oregon Youth Authority. This bill would allow Oregon to reach the income tax refund of parents whose child is in closed custody.