

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass with Amendments to the A-Engrossed Measure (Printed B-Eng.)

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bonamici, Boquist, Dingfelder, Whitsett, Prozanski

Nays: 0

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies definition of online communication for purposes of online sexual corruption of a child to include telephone text messages. Broadens definition of online communication to cover current technological advances. Applies to communications, not just text messages, occurring after effective date of the Act.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Provides for applicability to communications, not just text messages, occurring after effective date of the Act.

BACKGROUND: Technological advances have moved beyond the language of existing statutes related to online sexual corruption. Under the current statute, ORS 163.431, text messaging is not covered. HB 2641B expands the definition of "online communication" to cover a wide range of electronic communications and means of communication in an effort to keep the law current even as technology continues to advance.