75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bonamici, Boquist, Dingfelder, Whitsett, Prozanski

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 3/2, 4/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows the Department of Education to require fingerprints in order to conduct criminal records check for potential employees or those contractors or volunteers who will have unsupervised access to children or access to confidential information. Requires agency to use regular rulemaking, as opposed to emergency rulemaking, on this issue.

MEASURE:

CARRIER:

SB 66 A

Sen. Boquist

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Appropriateness of emergency clause
- Emergency rulemaking

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Removes emergency clause. Requires agency to use regular rulemaking, as opposed to emergency rulemaking, on this issue.

BACKGROUND: Many Oregon Department of Education employees, vendors and volunteers have unsupervised access to children or confidential personal information about children. The Department of Education currently has the authority to conduct criminal background checks, including requiring fingerprints, under Executive Order #08-17. SB 66A provides the statutory authority.