

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Boone, Cowan, Dembrow, Freeman, Huffman, Maurer, Olson, VanOrman, Tomei
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	5/8, 5/22

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes Attorney General to administer federal Violence Against Women Act grants and any other state or federal grant related to service for victims of violent crimes, property crimes and crimes involving fraud and deception.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Fund statutes contemplate state agencies collaborating to administer funds for domestic and sexual violence services. At the time of the Act's passage the Oregon State Police administered the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funding. In 2007, administration of the VAWA grants was moved to the Department of Justice (DOJ) eliminating the need for a statutory requirement including the Oregon State Police.

Senate Bill 220A provides clear authority to DOJ's Crime Victims' Services Division to administer ongoing federal grants that benefit crime victims. The measure expands statutory language to ensure that the division can maximize funding opportunities offered by ongoing federal grants that benefit crime victims.