75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 240 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Gilliam

**House Committee on Consumer Protection** 

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

**Action:** Do Pass **Vote:** 10 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Barton, Cowan, Gilliam, Krieger, Matthews, Riley, Tomei, Weidner, Wingard, Holvey

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Limits use of Social Security and driver's license numbers to the final four digits in judgment documents and liens and limits required information to birth year instead of birth date. Limits use of Social Security numbers to the last four digits in writs of garnishment. Provides for disclosure of full social security to garnishee if needed to identify debtor. Protects garnishee from liability for mistakes when relying on the last four digits of Social Security number. Declares emergency; effective on passage. Applies to documents recorded after effective date.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

• Appropriateness of emergency clause

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Currently, there is confusion about what information is allowed or required to be placed in judgment documents and writs of garnishment. This bill seeks to balance the needs of financial institutions to have accurate information and the needs of the general public for protection from identity theft.