

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued**

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
<b>Vote:</b>	10 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Olson, Shields, Smith J., Stiegler, Whisnant, Barker
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	5/13, 5/22, 5/27

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires scrap metal business to create and maintain certain records pertaining to purchase and transfer of metal property. Requires payment for all metal property in the form of a check mailed to seller's home address. Creates process for metal scrap business to retain metal property suspected to be lost or stolen. Requires consignment and second-hand stores to comply with provisions of the measure. Creates immunity for landowner where an injury or damage occurs as a result of theft of metal property. Creates misdemeanor crimes of unlawfully altering metal property; making false statement on metal property record; unlawfully purchasing or receiving metal property; and, unlawfully possessing metal property. Provides that scrap metal business must wait three business days before mailing payment for scrap purchased. Requires scrap metal business to report to law enforcement within 24 hours any purchase of metal property that the person knows or has reason to know is subject of theft or burnt metallic wire from which insulation has been removed. Provides that auto dealers, towers and dismantlers are exempt from recording requirement. Requires auto dealers, towers and dismantlers to comply with recording requirements if they buy private metal property (such as catalytic converters not attached to a vehicle) or other metal property not attached to a vehicle. Adds forestry and logging equipment to definition of "commercial metal property." Requires information regarding individual's criminal history be provided to scrap metal businesses in writing or electronically by law enforcement.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of the measure

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Adds forestry and logging equipment to definition of "commercial metal property." Requires information regarding individual's criminal history be provided to scrap metal businesses in writing or electronically by law enforcement.

**BACKGROUND:** SB 570B addresses both sellers and purchasers of metal property. It provides for increased reporting requirements for persons engaged in buying and selling private metal property. Metal theft affects both rural and urban communities and funds, in large part, the methamphetamine epidemic in Oregon. SB 570B aims to increase oversight and cooperation between law enforcement and scrap metal businesses. It also aims to protect legitimate buyers and sellers while closing loopholes and removing incentives for metal thieves.