

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	8 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Smith J., Stiegler, Whisnant, Barker
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Shields, Olson
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Meeting Dates:	5/22, 5/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Clarifies definition of “readily accessible” for purposes of unlawful possession of firearm. Clarifies that person may transport firearm in vehicle that does not have a trunk, so long as firearm is in locked box, locked center console or locked glove compartment. Provides an affirmative defense to charge of violating ORS 166.250 (1)(c)(C) if person has been granted relief from prohibition on owning a firearm under ORS 166.274.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Provides that if vehicle does not have a trunk firearm may be stored in locked center console, glove compartment, or other locked container.

BACKGROUND: SB 603B defines the commonly litigated issue of what “readily accessible” means as it is not currently defined within statute. The measure also clarifies under what circumstances a person may transport a firearm in a vehicle without a trunk.