

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules
Vote:	5 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Hanna, Komp, Maurer, Olson, Roblan
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Nolan, Speaker Hunt
Prepared By:	Patrick Brennan, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	5/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Reduces, from six to four, the number of legislators appointed to the Asset Forfeiture Advisory Committee.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Legislative and non-legislative representation on the advisory committee
- Activities of the advisory committee
- Refer to House Rules Committee to address conflict amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Asset Forfeiture Advisory Committee reviews forfeitures carried out under ORS 475A (civil forfeitures) and ORS 131.550-600 (criminal forfeitures). The committee can also make recommendations to increase the effectiveness, fairness and efficiency of forfeiture actions. The committee is currently comprised of 12 members: three House members appointed by the Speaker; three Senators appointed by the Senate President; three members appointed by the Governor; and three members appointed by the Attorney General.

Senate Bill 780 reduces the number of House members and Senate members appointed to the Asset Forfeiture Advisory Committee from three of each to two of each. The committee itself recommended the reduction in legislative members.