

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Action: Be Adopted  
Vote: 9 - 0 - 1  
Yeas: Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Olson, Shields, Smith J., Whisnant, Barker  
Nays: 0  
Exc.: Stiegler  
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Meeting Dates: 4/29

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Petitions Congress to enact tax refund intercept legislation permitting Oregon to obtain tax refunds of persons who owe Oregon court-ordered financial obligations.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of the measure

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

**BACKGROUND:** Oregon is owed more than one billion dollars in unpaid restitution, fines, fees and penalties. The persons who owe this money are under court order to pay but have willfully ignored doing so. Oregon needs a change in federal law to reach federal income tax refunds of those who have not paid their court-ordered restitution, fines, fees and penalties. The Court Administrator's Office estimates that we could collect as much as \$60 million from federal income tax refunds.