

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bonamici, Boquist, Dingfelder, Whitsett, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Grants rulemaking authority to the Oregon State Police to clarify registration requirements for sex offenders. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Administrative process for rulemaking

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon State Police, Sex Offender Registration Unit, tracks registration of persons convicted of sex crimes who reside, work or attend school within the State of Oregon. The Sex Offender Registration Unit is the state repository for information within the state, encompassing adult and juvenile offenders. In 2007 the Sex Offender Registration Unit maintained files on 13,873 individuals who are required to register in Oregon. Oregon State Police (OSP) state that they need rulemaking authority to ensure uniformity in administration of the sex offender program. For example, while OSP is required to supply the registration form for sex offenders, some jurisdictions have questioned OSP's authorization to create a registration form. OSP also states that the rulemaking authority will allow them to define terms and phrases such as "residence" and "moves into state."