

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bonamici, Dingfelder, Kruse, Whitsett, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Cheyenne Ross, Counsel
Meeting Dates:	5/5, 5/12

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Permits court to disclose confidential information about protected persons upon written request and showing of good cause in protective proceeding. Allows access to information by attorney considering representation of protected person, or by person appointed or seeking appointment as fiduciary. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for clarification, consistency, and more practical access for those who have an interest in the proceedings
- Changes achieved primarily through definitions and scope of “parties” and “access”

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Private information obtained by the Department of Human Services about persons who are the subject of protective proceedings is kept confidential by courts, and access is currently limited to inspection by the parties only. House Bill 2683 A comes from the Elder Law Section of the Oregon State Bar and permits access to information to those considering representation or appointment.