

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

**Vote:** 4 - 1 - 1

**Yeas:** Edwards, Girod, Starr, Beyer

**Nays:** Atkinson

**Exc.:** Burdick

**Prepared By:** Richard Berger, Administrator

**Meeting Dates:** 5/23

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires the Oregon State Police to convene a work group focused on developing recommendations for a certification process on amusement devices placed in premises licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. Outlines membership of the work group. Establishes recommendations that are to be developed by the work group. Requires the work group to report the developed recommendations to an interim legislative committee related to criminal justice on or before July 1, 2012. Establishes as sunset date the convening date of the Legislative Assembly's 2013 regular session. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Types of devices covered by the measure
- Inconsistent enforcement by the Oregon State Police
- Need for an immediate change in the law instead of a work group
- Use of advisory committees in other states

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

**BACKGROUND:** A "gray machine" is a type of device that gets its name because it provides a casino game, but cannot legally pay out winnings, instead awarding credits to the player for further play. Exemptions are established for personal home computers, Oregon Lottery machines, slot machines, and authorized devices that are used at trade shows or for demonstrative purposes, or for training and testing by the Oregon State Police.

House Bill 3124 A directs the Oregon State Police to establish a work group during the Legislative Assembly's 2011-2012 interim to develop recommendations for implementing a process for certifying that amusement devices placed in bars and restaurants that are licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission are not gray machines. The work group is to be conducted in collaboration with the Oregon State Lottery Commission, and is to be comprised of a representative from both agencies, as well as a representative from the amusement device manufacturing industry, an amusement device distributor, and a full or limited on-premises licensee that is also a video lottery game retailer. The work group's recommendations must be reported to an interim legislative committee related to criminal justice on or before July 1, 2012.

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