

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference
Vote:	6 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Atkinson, Burdick, Edwards, Girod, Starr, Beyer
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/22, 3/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes the Secretary of State to establish, maintain, enhance, and expand a central business registry, including providing for more functions over the Internet and integrating functions with local governments and other public bodies.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Integrating with local government business registries
- Simplifying the process for starting a businesses in Oregon

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Secretary of State Corporation Division maintains the central business registry for businesses in Oregon. The law requires business owners to register a public record of assumed business names and entities such as corporations.