

REVENUE: No revenue impact  
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference
<b>Vote:</b>	7 - 0 - 1
<b>Yeas:</b>	Cannon, Doherty, Hoyle, Kennemer, Weidner, Greenlick, Thompson
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	Parrish
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	4/25, 5/25

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to establish and administer statewide injury and violence protection program (Program). Allows OHA to accept gifts, grants or contributions from any source for purpose of administering Program. Continuously appropriates funds to OHA for purposes of administering Program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Current injury and violence prevention efforts
- Background on Injury and Violence Prevention Program (IVPP)
- Impact of measure on current public policy
- Injury prevention in schools
- Outcomes associated with injury prevention programs

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

**BACKGROUND:** The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) reports that injuries are the leading cause of death for Oregonians under the age of 44. Hospitalization charges for unintentional injuries are more than \$348 million each year in Oregon.

Currently, OHA has a small injury and violence protection program that is authorized under the general directives, but it does not have explicit authority for the program in statutes. OHA asserts that the lack of the expressed program authority, limits Oregon's ability to compete for federal or foundation funds for injury prevention.