76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 356 A CARRIER: Rep. Wand

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

 Action:
 Do Pass

 Vote:
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Yeas: Garrett, Hicks, Nolan, Schaufler, Tomei, Wand, Whisnant, Barker, Krieger

Nays: 0 Exc.: Olson

Prepared By: Bill Taylor, Counsel **Meeting Dates:** 5/9, 5/23, 5/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Eliminates the Department of Corrections' pilot program involving the treatment of sex offenders with hormone antiandrogen such as medroxyprogesterone acetate.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Inability to find providers willing to provide treatment
- Potential liability
- Not effective on all sex offenders

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: In 1999, the Legislative Assembly authorized the Oregon Department of Corrections (DOC) to establish a sex offender treatment program involving treating sex offenders with hormones such as medroxyprogesterone acetate, also known as Depo-Provera, for the purposes of diminishing the offender's sex drive. Since April of last year, the DOC has been unable to find anyone willing to provide the medical services needed to operate this program.