

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: HB 2661 - A**

Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2013 Regular Session  
Legislative Fiscal Office

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Versions are Considered Official*

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**Measure Description:**

Requires Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to study and report on racial, ethnic and economic disparities in citizen interactions with police officers and on recruitment and retention of minorities by certain institutions related to law enforcement.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Criminal Justice Commission

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

<b>Agency – Fund Type</b>	<b>2013-2015 Biennium</b>	<b>2015-2017 Biennium</b>
Criminal Justice Commission – General Fund	\$82,500	--

**Local Government Mandate:**

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Analysis:**

The measure directs the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) to conduct a study and evaluation of disparities in race and ethnicity of persons stopped, arrested and subjected to the use of force by police officers. The measure allows CJC to enter into an agreement with Portland State University (PSU) for purposes of conducting the study. CJC is to report to the Legislature on the results of the study on or before November 1, 2014.

The measure appropriates \$82,500 General Fund to CJC for the purposes of conducting the study and entering into the agreement with PSU.

Currently, PSU provides administrative support to the Law Enforcement Contacts Policy and Data Review Committee which is directed by statute to receive and analyze demographic data provided by law enforcement agencies. The committee expenses are paid out of funds appropriated to PSU for purposes of the committee.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
<b>Vote:</b>	9 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Hicks, Krieger, Olson, Tomei, Williamson, Barker
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Mike Schmidt, Counsel
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/11, 4/15

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) to study and report on racial, ethnic, economic disparities in citizen interaction with police officers and on recruitment and retention of law enforcement related institutions by allocating money for a contract with Portland State University.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- This study and training program has lost its funding, this would allow that important program to continue in conjunction with the CJC

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Allows the CJC to enter into a contract with Portland State University to continue their research and training on racial profiling.

**BACKGROUND:** In 2001, The Oregon Legislature created the Law Enforcement Contacts Committee (LECC) with Senate Bill 415. The bill appropriated \$300,000 to the CJC to use to collect data and report on findings related to overrepresentation of ethnic minorities involved in traffic stops and other contacts with law enforcement. In 2007, the legislature shifted responsibility for the LECC to Portland State University (PSU) with House Bill 2102. The Department of Transportation provided a federal grant to allow PSU to analyze traffic stops in context of race, color and national origin of the person stopped. Those funds are no longer available. House Bill 2661 A allows PSU's Criminal Justice Research Institute to build on the work it has already done by evaluating stops, arrests, and use of force in the context of race and ethnicity in Oregon. PSU now partners with the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training and the Simon Wisenthal Center to offer in service training to understand and avoid bias in policing. This work can be done in conjunction with the LECC's current work. The LECC is chaired by Chief Justice Paul DeMuniz.