

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: No fiscal impact
SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:

Action:

Vote:

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Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires civil penalties for government ethics violation be imposed in accordance with procedures prescribed by Administrative Procedures Act.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: Under current statute, the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGEC) is required to conduct a hearing in all cases prior to the imposition of a penalty unless the public official or candidates waives the hearing. The public official or candidate to whom the notice is addressed has 10 days from the date of service of the notice in which to waive a hearing before the OGEC.

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, House Bill 2080 would require a person be notified that a civil penalty has been imposed by OGEC and provided 20 days from the date of service of the notice to make written application for a hearing, as any person who makes a request is entitled to a hearing. If a person does not make a request for hearing, OGEC may make a final order imposing the penalty, due and payable 10 days after the order was finalized.