

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed  
**Vote:** 8 - 0 - 1  
**Yeas:** Doherty, Johnson, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Richardson, Smith, Vega Pederson, Holvey  
**Nays:** 0  
**Exc.:** Thatcher  
**Prepared By:** Bob Estabrook, Administrator  
**Meeting Dates:** 2/7, 2/19

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Removes responsibility of Department of Corrections to inspect local detention facility if the county operating the facility has initiated recent audit and provided certain information to Department for retention as public record. Makes technical language changes.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Work of the Government Efficiency Task Force’s Subcommittee on Public Safety
- Public accessibility of information regarding audits by Oregon State Sheriffs Association
- Development of Sheriffs Association audit program
- Use of public funds in non-public audits
- Quality of existing statutory audit criteria

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Removes responsibility of Department of Corrections to inspect local detention facility if the county operating the facility has initiated recent audit and provided certain information to department for retention as public record.

**BACKGROUND:** ORS chapter 169 specifies standards for local youth and adult detention facilities and requires the Oregon Department of Corrections (DOC) to ensure that facilities comply with those standards. The State and Local Government Efficiency Task Force, established by House Bill 2855 in 2011, reports that county jails are currently inspected by both DOC staff and peer audit teams organized by the Oregon State Sheriffs Association. House Bill 2143A would allow inspections contracted or conducted by county jail operators to meet the requirement for DOC audits provided that at least as much information is provided to the Department as the Department would obtain by conducting its own investigation as required by statute.