

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference

Vote: 5 - 2 - 0

Yeas: Boone, Fagan, Huffman, Parrish, Matthews

Nays: Esquivel, Witt

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 4/2, 4/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Deems application or renewal of driver license, driver permit or identification card as consent to be registered with Selective Service System (SSS) if applicant otherwise required by federal law to register. Requires Department of Transportation (ODOT) to place notice of deemed consent to register with SSS on application. Instructs ODOT to adopt rules for implementation of program.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- No opt-out alternative
- Role of high schools in instructing students regarding selective service
- Cost of implementation
- Concerns regarding mandatory nature of program
- Importance of personal responsibility when registering for draft

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The penalties for noncompliance with the Military Selective Service Act (MSSA) are severe and include, but are not limited to, felony conviction and permanent preclusion from acquiring many federal benefits such as federal employment and federal financial aid for students. Oregon maintains an average registration rate in the low 90 percent range. House Bill 3402 deems that applicants consent to register with SSS when they apply for or renew certain permits and identification cards with ODOT.