

**77TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
2013 REGULAR SESSION
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
SENATE FINANCE AND REVENUE COMMITTEE**

**MEASURE: HB 2229
CARRIER: Sen. Rosenbaum**

**REVENUE: No Revenue Impact
FISCAL: No Fiscal Impact**

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 5-0-0
Yeas: Ferrioli, George, Hass, Rosenbaum, Burdick
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/1

WHAT THE BILL DOES: Allows Department of Revenue to disclose information related to tax on tobacco products to government entities that regulate tobacco products or enforce laws related to tobacco products. Modifies provisions governing department disclosure of information related to tax on cigarettes.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need to modernize the law.
- Type of information needed and the agencies the information would be shared with.
- Other agencies share information with DOR, can't reciprocate.
- Administration and compliance efforts.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS: No amendment

BACKGROUND:

ORS 323.250, was created in 1965 and has not kept up with the changes in the tobacco industry. It is limited to cigarette tax information (does not include OTP) and only allows DOR to share information with governments outside of Oregon that administer tobacco taxes. The regulation of Tobacco products has significantly increased at both the federal and state levels. Those regulations often have a direct or indirect impact upon (the determination or the collection of) tobacco taxes. DOR's ability to exchange information with agencies that regulate (but do not administer) tobacco is limited under this law.

DOR needs the ability to share and receive information (that may or may not be directly tax related) about both tobacco and cigarette regulation to maximize partnerships in the administration and compliance efforts. Oregon's state and local agencies, other states' (tax and non-tax) state and local agencies, and various federal agencies are among the agencies to share information with.

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