## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

**House Committee on Judiciary** 

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 8 - 1 - 0

Yeas: Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Krieger, Olson, Tomei, Williamson, Barker

**MEASURE: SB 186 B** 

CARRIER: Rep. Krieger

Nays: Hicks Exc.: 0

**Prepared By:** Mike Schmidt, Counsel

**Meeting Dates:** 4/30, 5/13

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows court to issue warrant for mobile tracking device to violations of commercial fish, wildlife, outfitters and guide laws. Allows extensions in 30-day increments. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

 Will allow Fish and Wildlife troopers to cover more territory, and more efficiently investigate poaching type crimes

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Allows for a 30-day extension of the warrant. Deletes provisions requiring the applicant to inform the court of results obtained thus far.

**BACKGROUND:** Currently, ORS 133.619 allows a mobile tracking device certain for felonies and unlawfully transporting metal and drugs. Senate Bill 186 B allows a court to issue a warrant for the installation or tracking of a mobile tracking device when the investigation involves the alleged violation of the wildlife, commercial fish, or outfitters and guide laws. Such offenses often involve travel over hundreds of miles and in remote locations, making surveillance difficult and expensive.