

**PRELIMINARY** STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Judiciary

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

**SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO:**

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**Action:**

**Vote:**

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/2

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Makes legislative staff and personal support workers mandatory reporters of abuse of children, elders, and other vulnerable adults.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Oregon statute specifically lists mandatory reporters of abuse. In 2013, House Bill 2205 included members of the Legislative Assembly in the list of mandatory reporters of elder abuse, effective January 1, 2015. Other mandatory reporters include physicians, dentists, school employees, health care professionals, members of the clergy, attorneys, and child care providers.

Senate Bill 622 adds legislative staff, including employees, volunteers, aides, and assistants to the list of mandatory reporters of child abuse, elder abuse, and abuse of developmentally disabled adults, adults receiving mental health treatments, and adults in long term care facilities.