

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL TO: Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 3/24, 4/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Creates 7-member Task Force on Juvenile Court Records to examine Oregon’s juvenile court dependency and justice systems for the purpose of identifying changes to existing law that could be made to improve how records are maintained and accessed. Declares emergency, effective on passage. Sunsets on date of convening of 2017 regular session of Legislative Assembly.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Proposed -2 amendment
- Unintended consequence of previous bill of prohibiting Oregon Youth Authority to disclose information regarding youth within their jurisdiction
- Problems and inefficiencies of go-arounds needed to remedy unintended consequence
- Extension of operative date to allow workgroup to do additional work
- Oregon Youth Authority’s support for proposed -2 amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Proposed amendment completely replaces measure. Proposed -2 amendment makes minor changes to ORS 419A.255 to correct unintended consequences of recent changes. It does this by: 1) providing OYA authority to disclose the same information about youth within their jurisdiction as the juvenile courts and county juvenile department can disclose; and 2) clarifying that nothing in current law prohibits a juvenile court from providing certain information to the appropriate Child Support Program Administrator. Proposed -2 amendment also proposes a one-year extension to the operative date of statutory provisions regarding providing access to juvenile court records to other persons not specifically provided access by statute.

BACKGROUND: Senate Bill 405 creates a Task Force on Criminal Records Checks for Professions that Involve Essential Services (Task Force).