

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Mandates that ORS 30.868 be known and may be cited as “Aaron’s Law.”

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

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

**BACKGROUND:** House Bill 2603 possesses roots originating from a 2004 Senate Task Force on Parental and Family Abductions. This task force laid the foundation for the passage of House Bill 1041 during the 2005 Legislative Session, which addressed civil damages for custodial interference and made Oregon the first state to create a civil cause of action for child abduction. House Bill 1041, codified at ORS 30.868, became known as “Aaron’s Law” to honor the memory of Aaron Cruz, the eldest son of Sean Cruz, who died in Utah in April 2005 as a consequence of his abduction.

House Bill 2603 mandates that ORS 30.868 be known and may be cited as “Aaron’s Law.”

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