

**PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** Revenue impact issued

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**Action Date:**

**Action:**

**Meeting Dates:**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Reorganizes mission and governance of State Library. Changes name of Trustees of State Library to State Library Board, changes composition and number of board members, and provides for Governor rather than Trustees of State Library to appoint State Librarian. Establishes State Reference Coordinating Council consisting of State Librarian, State Archivist and State of Oregon Law Librarian to coordinate interagency delivery of services between state agencies and ensure collaboration. Provides for State Library to approve selection, purchase and maintenance of reference databases and subscriptions for state agencies other than databases, services and resources provided by State Archives and State of Oregon Law Library. Directs State Library to biennially certify any state agency library maintained separate from State Library.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- History of the various reorganization efforts
- Need for statutory change
- Governance changes
- Interagency coordination

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The 2011 Legislative Assembly directed the Oregon State Library, the Secretary of State (Archives Division) and the Judicial Department (State Law Library) to form a workgroup to consolidate services and restructure the State Library. The Workgroup produced solid recommendations, but few were implemented. Subsequent efforts, by the Governor, the Legislature, and the State Library's Board of Trustees, to reorganize the State Library have been unsuccessful. House Bill 3523-A incorporates proposed changes from the 2012 workgroup report, as well as other more recent proposals.