Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2340 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Sprenger

House Committee On Judiciary

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 03/02/15

Action: Do Pass As Amended And Be Printed Engrossed.

Meeting Dates: 02/02, 03/02

Vote:

Yeas: 9 - Barker, Barton, Greenlick, Krieger, Lininger, Olson, Post, Sprenger, Williamson

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Restricts Social Security numbers, driver license numbers, and taxpayer identification numbers in certain court documents to last four digits of such numbers. Prohibits the inclusion of address of victim within judgment containing a money award in criminal action. Becomes operative January 1, 2016. Allows rulemaking prior to operative date. Declares emergency; effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Implementation of Oregon e-Court system
- Sensitivity to privacy and security
- Information in judgment or orders used to enforce orders
- Victim name needed for certain actions
- Effects of amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Restricts inclusion of victim's address in criminal restitution or compensatory fine order.

BACKGROUND:

In 2012, Oregon courts began operation of Oregon eCourt. With the move to electronic court documents, there may be an increased risk that sensitive personal identifiers can be accessed by a wider audience.

House Bill 2340-A seeks to protect personal information by restricting identifying information, such as Social Security numbers, tax payer identification numbers, and driver license numbers, to only the last four digits on certain publicly available documents. Additionally, if a restitution or compensatory fine is ordered, only the name of the person may be included, not the address.