

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 04/02/15

**Action:** Do Pass With Amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

**Meeting Dates:** 02/26, 04/02

**Vote:**

Yeas: 5 - Burdick, Gelser, Kruse, Prozanski, Thatcher

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision to notify victim prior to certain release determinations if the victim requests notification.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- These types of release decisions are rare
- Release decisions are aimed at those with end-of-life issues and severe medical issues
- Provisions that create time notifications conflict with urgency of end-of-life issues that typically govern these releases

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

Keeps victim notification provision from underlying bill. Eliminates specific timelines and other proposed victim rights that could delay release of prisoner.

**BACKGROUND:**

ORS 144.122 and ORS 144.126 authorize the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision to release a prisoner earlier if certain criteria are met regarding the prisoner's health, capacity, or reformation. Senate Bill 199 A requires victim notification prior to those release determinations if the victim requests notification.