

**Fiscal:** No Fiscal Impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Meeting Dates:** 04/02

**Vote:**

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Boquist, Burdick, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Allows Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS), with approval of Governor, to adopt by rule uniform policies and procedures affecting multiple state agencies, commissions and boards. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Current ambiguity in statute regarding uniform rulemaking
- Scope of DAS authority to issue temporary and permanent rules governing policies of other agencies
- Operationally driven change, not related to specific change in policy

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The statutorily defined purpose of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is “to improve the efficient and effective use of state resources” through the provision of a variety of services, including:

- management of infrastructure such as facilities and the state motor fleet
- personnel systems and state employee workforce development
- statewide financial administrative systems
- statewide information systems and networks.

Under current law, DAS has authority to adopt rules necessary for the administration of the laws it is charged with administering. House Bill 2476 expands this rulemaking authority to allow DAS to adopt by rule uniform policies and procedures affecting multiple agencies, commissions and boards.