Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 3523 A

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Consumer Protection and Government Effectiveness

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** Revenue impact issued

Action Date: 04/21/15

Action: Do Pass With Amendments, Be Printed Engrossed And Be Referred To

Ways And Means By Prior Reference.

Meeting Dates: 04/16, 04/21

Vote:

Yeas: 6 - Fagan, Holvey, McLain, Nearman, Rayfield, Stark

Exc: 1 - Buehler

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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 efforts to modernize State Library
- Gaps and potential overlap of roles between State Library, State Archives, State of Oregon Law Library and Oregon State Historical Society

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Replaces introduced measure.

BACKGROUND:

The 2011 Legislative Assembly directed the Oregon State Library, the Secretary of State, which houses the State Archives, and the Judicial Department, which houses the State of Oregon Law Library, to form a workgroup to consolidate services and restructure the State Library. Subsequent efforts 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.