

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 05/12/15

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Meeting Dates:** 05/12

**Vote:**

Yeas: 7 - Barker, Barton, Greenlick, Olson, Post, Sprenger, Williamson

Exc: 2 - Krieger, Lininger

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Makes minor changes to ORS 419A.255 to correct unintended consequences of recent legislative changes. Authorizes Oregon Youth Authority to disclose same information about youth within their jurisdiction as juvenile courts and county juvenile department can disclose. Clarifies that nothing in current law prohibits juvenile court from providing certain information to appropriate Child Support Program Administrator. Proposes one-year extension to operative date of statutory provisions regarding providing access to juvenile court records to other persons not specifically provided access by statute.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Current operations
- Statutes with delayed implementation
- Prior litigation
- Oregon Law Commission work group
- Procedural issues
- Oregon Youth Authority's support for the bill

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Previous legislative work done with respect to juvenile records created an unintended consequence of disallowing the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) from disclosing information regarding youth within their jurisdiction. Related problems include serious complications anytime OYA has the need to disclose juvenile records and significant inefficiencies with workarounds temporarily filling the gap.

Senate Bill 405-A authorizes OYA to disclose the same information about youth within their jurisdiction as the juvenile courts and county juvenile department can disclose. Senate Bill 405-A also clarifies that nothing in the current law prohibits the juvenile court from providing certain information to the appropriate Child Support Program Administrator. Additionally, Senate Bill 405-A proposes a one-year extension to the operative date of statutory provisions regarding providing access to juvenile court records to other persons not specifically provided access by statute. The bill declares an emergency and is effective on passage.