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TO: The Honorable Representative Lively
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SUBJECT: House Bill 3314 and House Bill 3367

Chair Lively and members of the committee; I am Jennifer Woodward, State Registrar, Public Health Division, Oregon Health Authority. I am here today to provide information on House Bills 3314 and 3367 related to providing birth information.

Both bills create the Oregon Bright Futures Fund at State Treasury and funds are made available to establish a college fund for each child born in Oregon to Oregon residents. House Bill 3314 directs the State Registrar to send a file quarterly of all births in secure manner to the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS). House Bill 3367 directs the State Registrar to send the file of all births to the State Treasurer.

This file would include the child's name, parents' names, county of birth and mother's mailing address. The bills specify that an agreement be made between the Center for Health Statistics and DCBS or the State Treasurer related to the transfer of data, storage of data and destruction of the data.

The Center for Health Statistics would be able to provide the birth data to either state agency as outlined in the vital statistics statutes.

An operative date of January 1, 2018 will allow time to work with the OHA Information Security Office to prepare a data access agreement and to prepare the birth file.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. I will be happy to be a resource to the committee.