

SB 12 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Reschke

House Committee On Economic Development and Trade

Action Date: 05/03/17

Action: Do Pass.

Vote: 8-0-1-0

Yeas: 8 - Clem, Gomberg, Lewis, Lininger, Marsh, Post, Reschke, Smith DB

Exc: 1 - Helm

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) to require fingerprints for purpose of requesting nationwide criminal history of applicants or employees with access to confidential, financial or personal identifying information.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current Business Oregon background check authority

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon Executive Order 11-03 provides the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) with access to statewide criminal records to check the histories of employees, prospective employees, and service providers who have access to certain sensitive information.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) maintains national criminal records through its Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division. For a state agency to access CJIS for a non-prosecutorial purpose, the FBI requires specific statutory authority (federal or state) or a federal executive order.

Senate Bill 12 authorizes OBDD to require fingerprints in order to conduct national background checks.