

**SB 514 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Gorsek

**House Committee On Judiciary**

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**Action Date:** 05/23/17

**Action:** Do Pass the A-Eng bill.

**Vote:** 10-0-1-0

**Yeas:** 10 - Barker, Gorsek, Greenlick, Lininger, Olson, Post, Sanchez, Stark, Vial, Williamson

**Exc:** 1 - Sprenger

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Removes requirement that Division of Child Support notify obligee of certain actions taken by Division against obligor.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The notices cause confusion
- Notice of income withholding orders, notice of claim of lien, notice of intent to report a child support account to consumer reporting agencies, notice of intent to refer arrears for estate tax refund offset

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Oregon Department of Justice's Division of Child Support is responsible for processing over \$1 million each day in medical expenses and child support for children. The Division is required to give notice to the obligee of certain actions it is taking against an obligor. In many of these cases, the information in the notice is heavily redacted and may create confusion for the obligor receiving the notice. Currently, the Division must provide such a notice when it issues an order for withholding, intends to refer a case to the Department of Revenue for the purposes of collecting tax returns, intends to report information on the obligor's payments to a credit reporting agency, or intends to place a lien on the obligor's property. In these instances, the obligee is entitled to information but has no ability to object to the Division's actions.

Senate Bill 514-A removes the notice requirements to obligees for these four Division actions. It does not affect the notice requirements for the obligor or any other required entity.