

**HB 2569 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Human Services and Housing**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs the Department of Human Services (DHS) to assign exactly one universal provider number to each person listed on the registry of persons who provide long term care. Prohibits sharing of fingerprint cards and records of certain long-term care and home care workers with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Requires DHS and the Oregon Health Authority to require the fingerprints for in conducting criminal records check of individuals working or seeking work to provide care in a long-term care facility or as a home care worker.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Long-term care refers to a wide range of services provided to help people who can no longer meet their own daily needs. Services can be provided in a person's home, helping the person stay independent and safe. People needing long-term care can also choose from a range of facility-based living options, including adult foster/care homes, assisted living and residential care facilities, and nursing facilities. The Oregon Department of Human Services regulates long-term care facilities and long-term care workers. Since 2015 it has operated the Long-Term Care Registry (LTCR) as a tool for providing a ready to work registry of subject individuals (SIs) eligible to work in long term care positions throughout the state of Oregon.

House Bill 2569 directs the Department of Human Services to assign exactly one universal pin number to each person list on the Long-Term Care Registry and provides direction on the utilization of long-term care worker fingerprints.