

**HB 2615 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**House Committee On Judiciary**

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**Action Date:** 04/04/19

**Action:** Without recommendation as to passage and be referred to Rules.

**Vote:** 11-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 11 - Barker, Bynum, Gorsek, Greenlick, Lewis, McLane, Piluso, Power, Sprenger, Stark, Williamson

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/4

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Repeals nonunanimous jury verdicts in criminal trials.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Heard for the purpose of referring to House Committee on Rules

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently, Oregon is the only state in the United States that allows for nonunanimous jury verdicts in criminal trials.

House Bill 2615 removes the statutory authority for nonunanimous jury verdicts.