

## HB 2015 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### Joint Committee On Transportation

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**Action Date:** 05/22/19

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

**House Vote**

**Yeas:** 4 - Evans, McKeown, McLain, Witt

**Nays:** 3 - Findley, Lewis, Noble

**Senate Vote**

**Yeas:** 3 - Beyer, Frederick, Gelser

**Nays:** 1 - Bentz

**Exc:** 1 - Boquist

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** Revenue impact issued

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/17, 5/22

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Authorizes the Department of Transportation to issue, renew, or replace a noncommercial driver license, noncommercial driver permit, or identification card without proof of legal presence. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Background on implementation of Real ID Act
- Impact of not being able to legally drive
- Examples of U.S. citizens unable to attain driver license for lack of required documents
- Senate Bill 833 (2013) rejected by voters (Ballot Measure 88)
- Sovereignty of United States

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In 2008, Senate Bill 1080 required applicants for driver licenses, driving permits, and identification cards issued by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to provide proof of U.S. citizenship or lawful presence. Senate Bill 833 (2013) authorized ODOT to issue driver licenses, permits, and identification cards without proof of lawful presence in the United States. Measure 88 (2014) suspended the law. There are currently 12 states and the District of Columbia that issue driver licenses to those who are unable to provide proof of lawful presence in the United States.

House Bill 2015 allows ODOT to issue, renew, or replace a noncommercial driver license, noncommercial driver permit, or identification card to an applicant without proof of legal presence. This measure allows an applicant to provide a written statement describing they have not been assigned a Social Security number.