HB 2746 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs State Court Administer to establish the Hope Card Program for issuance of information cards to persons who are protected by restraining orders. Provides that the Hope Card Program shall provide those petitioners issued a restraining order a card contain certain information related to the restraining order, including, the identifying information and characteristics of the person subject to the restraining order, the case number, the issuance and expiration date.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon statutes provide several categories of protections orders for individuals meeting certain qualifying risk factors and/or circumstances. Once granted, these orders impose restrictions on contact between the petitioner and an identified respondent. Specifically, Oregonians may apply for one of the following protection orders that may prohibit the respondent from certain types of contact and proximity to the petitioner: Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities Abuse Prevention Act (EPPDAPA) Restraining Orders; Family Abuse Prevention Act (FAPA) Restraining Orders; Sexual Abuse Protection Orders (SAPO); and, Stalking Protection Orders.

HB 2746, through the creation of the Hope Card Program, provides that the petitioner of a court ordered protection order will be provided a compact card containing information relevant to and necessary for the enforcement of said protection order.