## SB 90 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

# Senate Committee On Human Services, Mental Health and Recovery

**Action Date:** 03/23/21

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yeas: 4 - Anderson, Gelser, Lieber, Taylor

Fiscal: No fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4, 3/23

### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Protects the addresses of persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities who reside in specified homes or facilities from disclosure pursuant to a public records request unless disclosure is required in the public interest. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment *sine die*.

# **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Privacy of residents in particular settings who may be stigmatized
- Not affecting disclosure of business records, financial information, status of licensure
- Addressing concerns of professional journalists

## **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

Relocates content of measure from inclusion among records that are exempt from disclosure outright (ORS 192.355) to inclusion among records that may be disclosed if required by the public interest (ORS 192.345).

### **BACKGROUND:**

Government records are available to the public unless they are exempt from disclosure. Examples of records that may be protected from public disclosure include information about active litigation, trade secrets, investigative materials in criminal proceedings, electors' residential addresses, medical or other similar personal information, and the home addresses and dates of birth of public employees and volunteers. Some records are deemed exempt outright, and others may be disclosed if specified criteria are met.

Senate Bill 90 A adds the home addresses of certain persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities to the list of records that are protected from public disclosure, unless it is shown that disclosure is required in the public interest.

Carrier: Sen. Anderson