

## HJR 5 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Judiciary

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**Action Date:** 03/30/21

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

**Vote:** 9-0-1-0

**Yeas:** 9 - Bynum, Dexter, Helm, Kropf, Lewis, Morgan, Noble, Wallan, Wilde

**Exc:** 1 - Power

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/30

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

Repeals Section 41, Article I of Oregon's Constitution, and directs the amendment to be submitted to the people at the next regular statewide election.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of measure

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

No amendment.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Section 41, Article I of Oregon's Constitution requires that all inmates of state correctional institutions be engaged in full-time work or on-the-job training. It also allows for education to be provided to inmates as part of work or on-the-job training so long as each inmate is engaged at least half-time in hands-on training or work activity. It also states that no inmate has the right to compensation for work or labor performed while incarcerated, and requires that prison work programs be designed to achieve savings in government operations, or to benefit the community.

House Joint Resolution 5 repeals the section of the Oregon Constitution that requires inmates in correctional institutions to engage in full-time work or on-the-job training and refers the amendment to the voters.