

**SB 315 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Levy

**House Committee On Judiciary**

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**Action Date:** 05/13/21

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Vote:** 10-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 10 - Bynum, Dexter, Helm, Kropf, Lewis, Morgan, Noble, Power, Wallan, Wilde

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/27, 4/29, 5/13

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Exempts information that would create a competitive disadvantage for owners or users of unmanned aerial systems test range from public record disclosure. Includes business, commercial, financial, operational, research data and information, intellectual property, and customer records. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Balance of public right to know against business competition
- Records at publicly owned airfields may be subject to disclosure
- Extent of Pan-Pacific UAS Test Range Complex
- Current public record exemptions

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) are regulated by the Federal Aviation Administration, which has designated seven official test sites across the nation to support integration of UAS into the national airspace system. Oregon hosts three UAS test ranges that are partnered with the University of Alaska Fairbanks as part of the Pan-Pacific UAS Test Range Complex: Pendleton Airport; Tillamook Public Airport; and the Warm Springs Reservation.

Senate Bill 315 makes information that would create a competitive disadvantage for owners or users of a UAS test range exempt from public records, including business records, customer records, and research data.