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Senator Aaron Woods, Co-Chair
Representative Nancy Nathanson, Co-Chair
Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology
900 Court Street NE
H-178 State Capitol
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Co-Chairs:

Nature of the Request

The Department of Revenue (DOR) submits this letter, and required report, to update the Joint Committee on Information Management and Technology on the implementation of [Senate Bill 1 \(2023\)](#).

Agency Action

Senate Bill 1 directs DOR to create a form within the personal income tax return for taxpayers to report race and ethnicity information voluntarily beginning January 1, 2025. The bill directs that the department use a list of demographic categories related to race and ethnicity that are aligned with those adopted by the [Oregon Health Authority](#).

Section 5 of SB 1 requires the department to report on the status of the development and implementation of the data collection schedule required by the legislation and on the use of the data collected. The department is to report on the effectiveness of measures to ensure data security and address prevention of any data sharing: within the department; between the department and Internal Revenue Service; between tax practitioners and commercial interests; and between tax preparation software vendors and commercial interests.

Data collection will begin in 2025, however the department has developed the form and planned information security measures, that are included in the report.

Action Requested

The department requests that the Legislature acknowledge receipt of this letter, and report.

Legislation Affected

Section 5, Senate Bill 1(2023).

Sincerely,

Betsy Imholt
Director

Together, we collect the revenue that Oregon counts on.