MEASURE: CARRIER:

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued	
Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Bonamici, Boquist, Dingfelder, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Whitsett
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Meeting Dates:	5/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires the Department of Corrections to provide documentation of work history and educational or treatment programs completed while in custody to inmate upon release from prison.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

• Need to reduce recidivism and help former inmates stabilize back into the community

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: According to the Department of Corrections (DOC), its current practice is to provide an inmate with documentation of educational and treatment programs, thus the change produced by the bill will be the provision of work history.

The department is currently developing a process to collect and document an inmate's work history, along with skills and performance review. A work group of representatives from DOC vocational programs, Measure 17 work programs and Oregon Correctional Industries has mapped out a work plan for verifying work history and performance, to result in a system-wide verification process.