FULL COMMITTEE PONY

HB 2228 Relating to retention of fingerprint information

HB 2228 requires the Oregon State Police to establish a voluntary fingerprint retention program. The State Police would retain fingerprint cards created during a state criminal records check, as well as facsimiles of fingerprints received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation. These records would be made available to agencies or districts subscribing to the voluntary fingerprint retention program. The bill requires the Department of Administrative Services to adopt rules for program administration, and permits the State Police to adopt a program subscription fee.

The fee revenue that this program might raise is indeterminate, and the State Police estimates that start-up and initial operating costs can be managed within existing resources.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends that HB 2228 be reported out do pass.