

SB 971 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary

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Meeting Dates: 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Commission on Indian Services to study tribes in the state. Require report to Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Declares specific languages of the nine federally recognized tribes of Oregon as official heritage languages. Allows tribes to develop plans for revitalization of heritage language. Requires Department of Education to provide support and assistance in carrying out plans, including regular communication, collaboration on curriculum with Oregon educators, and the development of community spaces and learning spaces. . Appropriates \$900,000 from General Fund. Makes findings.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 971 is a Judiciary Committee placeholder relating to tribes.