

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**Department of State Police
Adam Walsh Act Grant**

On February 20th, the Public Safety Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Department of State Police to the U.S. Department of Justice for up to \$400,000 to improve Oregon's sex offender registration and notification processes and systems.

The Adam Walsh Act grant program makes funds available to states and tribes to implement the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act, which requires states to maintain sex offender registries and requires sex offenders to register their whereabouts. The Oregon State Police maintains Oregon's sex offender registry, and proposes to use the grant funding, if awarded, to enhance its sex offender registry technology for better data reporting and information sharing, and to assist federal and local law enforcement agencies with identifying non-compliant offenders.

The Oregon State Police has received this grant in eight of the past eleven years. It does not require a match. If the grant is awarded, the agency may return to the legislature to request additional Federal Funds expenditure limitation and position authority, if needed.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends approval.