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**Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110
Implementation**

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Provides authority to a city, county, metropolitan service district, ports operating a commercial airport service passenger terminal and grounds adjacent to the passenger terminal, and school districts and colleges to adopt ordinances regulating possession of firearms in public buildings, and property, owned by the authority, by persons licensed to carry a concealed handgun, limiting the affirmative defense provided in ORS 166.370(3)(g).

Increases initial concealed handgun license fee from \$50 to \$100 and renewal of a concealed handgun license fee from \$50 to \$75.

Effective 91 days after sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Defines the term state building. Regulates possession of firearms in a state building by persons licensed to carry a concealed handgun.

-2 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

-3 States that a public building does not include any part of a building or grounds that serves as a parking area or parking garage.

-4 Requires notice of an entity's ordinance or policy limiting possession of firearms to be posted to the entity's website.

-5 Provides that any entity that owns or occupies a public building may adopt an ordinance or policy limiting or precluding the possession of firearms in those public buildings by persons otherwise authorized under ORS 166.370(3)(g).

Defines special district.

-6 Amends definition of public building relating to commercial service airport to areas other than a parking areas or passenger pick up and drop off area.

Provides that a person possessing a firearm in a passenger terminal for the purpose of transporting the firearm as checked baggage is exempt from any policy restricting possession.

-7 Amends definition of public building relating to commercial service airport to only the passenger terminal of a commercial service airport.

Provides that a person possessing a firearm in a passenger terminal for the purpose of transporting the firearm as checked baggage is exempt from the prohibition in ORS 166.370.

BACKGROUND:

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Oregon statute provides that any person who intentionally possesses a loaded or unloaded firearm or any other instrument used as a dangerous weapon, while in or on a public building, shall upon conviction be guilty of a Class C felony unless that person is licensed under ORS 166.291 and 166.292 to carry a concealed handgun.

SB 554 expands the authority of a city, county, metropolitan service district, ports operating a commercial airport to prohibit the possession of firearms within certain buildings to individuals who are otherwise exempt from said prohibitions under current statutes.