

HB 2128 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Boquist

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Action Date: 06/02/21

Action: Do pass the A-Eng bill.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Boquist, Burdick, Findley, Riley, Wagner

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 5/18, 6/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes reporting requirements of tax professionals to the Department of Revenue (DOR) in the event of a breach of security that compromises taxpayer information. Requires that the notification to DOR include the name, address, and tax identification number of consumer(s) whose information was compromised during the breach. Allows for alternative timeframe of reporting based on DOR administrative rules and information available at time of security breach. Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2022. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Input from CPAs and legal professionals
- Current system for handling security breaches

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Revenue (DOR) maintains tools to identify fraudulent tax returns and related identity theft. Currently, the Oregon Consumer Information Protection Act requires entities to notify customers in the event of a security breach that compromises customer personal information. This bill adds to statute a requirement that tax professionals also report to DOR in the case of breaches of tax return related information.