

I find the language in the section 1 of HB3273 to be too vague and restrictive. I read this, and I have legitimate doubts as to whether or not the Courts (i.e., judge) has the right to see the booking photo at the time of arraignment. I wouldn't necessarily interpret the Courts as being a "party in a criminal proceeding"... There are also legitimate reasons why medical and behavioral health staff in the County jails would need to see a booking photo... for instance as another identifier to ensure that the correct person in custody is receiving their medication prescription. In Multnomah County, corrections health staff (physicians, nurse practitioners, RNs, medical assistants, mental health consultants) are Health Department staff who happen to work in the jails, they are not members of a law enforcement or criminal justice agency. What I'm getting at is that I believe there are legitimate criminal justice purposes that would be specifically excluded under HB3273, and personally, I would like to see stronger language in section 2 regarding the near extortion that happens with the publish-for-pay.