



Open Government Impact Statement

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SUMMARY

Modifies damages and penalties awarded for action for false claims.

Increases statute of limitations for action for false claims from three years to five years.

Provides for confidentiality and permissible disclosures of materials relating to false claims.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure prohibits the public disclosure of documentary materials, answers to interrogatories and transcripts of oral testimony obtained by the Attorney General through a Civil Investigative Demand as part of an Oregon False Claims Act investigation.

If the public records were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the public might be able to receive trade secrets and other confidential information from companies that have been investigated by the Attorney General for violations of the Oregon False Claims Act.