

House Bill 2570 Relating to confidentiality

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Oregon OSHA Mission

Improving workplace safety and health for all Oregon workers



Oregon OSHA: What we do

The Occupational Safety and Health Division of DCBS:

- Inspects places of employment
- Helps employers identify and eliminate hazards
- Investigates workplace fatalities/accidents/complaints
- Provides technical resources and training to workers and employers through outreach and public education

Key division stats:

- Oregon OSHA serves:
 - Workers (2023): 1.84 million
 - Business and government establishments (2023): 223,339
- Ranking of highest inspection rate in the nation (2024): Third

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- Keep confidential identifiable information of witnesses obtained during an inspection, investigation, or consultation
- Establish and adopt rules to establish procedures necessary to carry out the provisions
- Required by federal OSHA as part of the Federal Annual Monitoring Evaluation (FAME)
- Rules for discovery for the Workers' Compensation Board contested cases remain the same

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House Bill 2570 (-1 is forthcoming)

-1 Amendment to HB 2570 (**bold and underlined to indicate additions**): 654.067

(8)(a) The director shall keep confidential and not disclose to the public any information obtained during the course of an investigation, [or]inspection, or consultation of any place of employment conducted under ORS 654.001 to 654.295, 654.412 to 654.423 or 654.750 to 654.780 that would permit the identification of an employee, other than an agent of the employer, who provided information for or participated in the investigation, [or]inspection, or consultation unless ...



Questions?

