HB 3386 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Golden

Senate Committee On Rules

Action Date:	04/07/25
Action:	Do pass.
Vote:	5-0-0-0
Yeas:	5 - Bonham, Golden, Jama, Manning Jr, Thatcher
Fiscal:	No fiscal impact
Revenue:	No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates:	4/2, 4/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure authorizes a deputy of the county clerk to perform weddings.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The current demand for civil weddings, and the goal of meeting that demand
- Translation services for marriage ceremonies in rural counties
- The cost of marriage ceremonies, and whether they generate revenue
- The in-house training to perform marriage ceremonies

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In Oregon, marriages may be performed by a judicial officer, a county clerk, religious congregations or organizations and their clergyperson, or secular organizations that play a similar role to a church or religious authority and their authorized celebrant or officiant.

A judicial officer or county clerk who performs a marriage during normal working hours and in the official's facility or office may collect a fee of \$117. For weddings that are performed outside of normal working hours or place of business, a judicial officer or county clerk may charge and accept an agreed upon personal payment, not to exceed \$100, plus actual costs for travel, food, and lodging, in addition to the \$117 fee.