

HB 2922 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Manning Jr

Senate Committee On Rules

Action Date: 04/21/25

Action: Do pass the A-Eng bill.

Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yeas: 4 - Bonham, Golden, Manning Jr, Thatcher

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Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/16, 4/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure adds employees of the State Parks and Recreation Department, whose job classification is a park manager or a park ranger, to the list of eligible public employees who may request that any driver or vehicle record kept by the Department of Transportation contain the eligible employee's work address, instead of residential address.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Threats against rangers who work in the field and issue citations
- The existing Department of Transportation program used by other agencies
- The potential for all public employees to have their addresses not listed
- Concerns about raising the bar for access to public information

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Current law requires that individuals provide their residential addresses to the Oregon Department of Transportation's Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division when submitting vehicle records. Exemptions are provided for law enforcement personnel, corrections professionals, and other eligible employees, who may instead use their employer's address.

Recent additions to the categories of eligible employees include the following:

- employees of the Department of Justice who staff the hate crimes hotline (2023)
- assistant attorneys general whose duties include the representation of the Department of Human Services in child welfare matters (2021)
- employees of a county juvenile department whose duties include personal contact with persons committed to the county juvenile department (2019)
- civil code enforcement officers charged with enforcing laws or ordinances relating to land use, zoning, use of rights-of-way, solid waste, hazardous waste, sewage treatment, and disposal or the state building code (2015)
- employees whose duties include personal contact with criminal offenders and who is employed by a law enforcement unit (2013)