

Enrolled
House Bill 3224

Sponsored by Representative NATHANSON; Representatives ELMER, JAVADI, NGUYEN H,
WALTERS, Senator NERON (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to background checks; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Human Services shall review the statutes and administrative rules of this state to identify all instances of background checks of subject individuals under ORS 181A.200, 326.604, 329A.030, 342.125, 342.143, 409.027, 413.036, 418.016, 420A.021, 443.004 and 443.735, similarities and differences in the background checks, and options to consolidate and reduce the number of different background checks for similar purposes or programs.

(2) In conducting the review under this section, the department shall consult the HB 4091: Workgroup Report: Recommendations Regarding Criminal Records Verification in Oregon, published by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services in November 2012.

(3) The department shall submit a report on the review under this section in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to human services no later than September 15, 2026.

SECTION 2. The Department of Human Services shall study options for providing that a person does not need to undergo another background check conducted by a state agency for the purposes of working with children, elderly persons or persons with disabilities if the person has already passed a background check conducted by a state agency in the previous 12 months. The department shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to human services no later than June 30, 2026.

SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2025 Act are repealed on January 2, 2027.

SECTION 4. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect on its passage.

Passed by House April 14, 2025

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Julie Fahey, Speaker of House

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Rob Wagner, President of Senate

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