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To: Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology
From: Sean McSpaden, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: February 13, 2026
Subject: HB 4055 – Relating to Information Security: Work Session Recommendations

HB 4055 requires local governments, local service districts, and special government bodies to notify the State Chief Information Officer within 48 hours after discovering an information security or ransomware incident. The measure prescribes the information a public body is required to report and directs the State Chief Information Officer to establish a reporting system that allows a public body to submit a notification or report in a timely, secure and confidential manner. HB 4055 directs the State Chief Information Officer to establish and maintain a public webpage with clear instructions on what to report and how to submit reports. The measure further directs the State Chief Information Officer to provide a summary report annually to the Governor and Legislature for incidents reported during the preceding year. HB 4055 exempts the submitted incident reports from disclosure under Oregon's public records laws, while allowing the State Chief Information Officer to confidentially and securely share incident information with specific parties under certain circumstances.

If passed into law, the measure declares an emergency and is effective on passage.

Materials related to House Bill 4055 are posted on OLIS.

If adopted, the -2 amendment would remove the requirement for public bodies to submit more detailed reports following notification to the State Chief Information Officer that an information security or ransomware incident had occurred. The amendment would remove the requirement for the State Chief Information Officer to establish a "system," for incident notification and reporting. The amendment would encourage a public body that submits an incident notification to describe the assistance they may need to prevent or mitigate further damage or to respond to and recover from an incident and would allow the State Chief Information Officer to share incident information with the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.

Recommended Changes - Amendment

LFO recommends adoption of the -2 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -2 amendment to House Bill 4055. (VOTE)

Final Committee Action

LFO recommends that House Bill 4055 be reported out of the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology with a “do pass as amended” recommendation, and be referred to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.

MOTION: I move that House Bill 4055 be reported out with a “do pass as amended” recommendation, and be referred to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference. (VOTE)