

## **SB 1594 -2, -3, -4 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **Senate Committee On Judiciary**

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/2, 2/4, 2/16

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement (OIRA) to create model policies relating to citizenship or immigration status that can be used in response to federal actions. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Lack of clear guidelines for government agencies about how to respond to inquiries about personal data, specifically federal agent requests
- Measure is consistent with current sanctuary laws
- Would codify internal practices and increase protection for Oregonians
- Consistency and clarity mean safety
- Oregonians are scared to access schools and healthcare
- Background on the implementation of the Sanctuary Promises Act and training for the executive branch

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-2 Removes requirement that OIRA draft model policies. Directs the DOJ to develop model policies related to immigration enforcement in public schools, public health facilities, court houses, public shelters and other public facilities operated by a public body. Requires the DOJ to consult with OIRA in the development of the model policies. Encourages entities that contract to public bodies to also adopt the policies.

-3 Directs state and local law enforcement to cooperate with any federal immigration authority in carrying out any action concerning a person who is a convicted felon under Oregon law.

-4 Replaces the measure.

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

In 1987, Oregon became the first state to adopt a sanctuary law preventing state and local police and the government from assisting federal authorities with immigration enforcement. Oregon's sanctuary law is codified as ORS 180.805, 180.810, and 181A.820 to 181A.829. *See also* [Oregon Department of Justice. Sanctuary Promise Guidance](#), (last visited February 6, 2026). In response to a sharp rise in federal immigration enforcement, Governor Tina Kotek recently issued an [executive order](#) directing state agencies to coordinate their response to support immigrant and refugee communities.