

SB 1594 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. McLane

Senate Committee On Judiciary

Minority Report

Action Date: 02/16/26

Action: Do pass with different amendments. (Printed A-Eng.) Minority

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

Report Signers: Sen. Thatcher, Sen. McLane

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

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure directs Oregon’s Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement (OIRA) to create model policies on citizenship or immigration status, developed in accordance with specified criteria and objectives, to be used in response to federal actions. The measure 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. The measure declares an emergency, effective on its passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Lack of clear disclosure guidelines for government agencies about sensitive personal data
- Codifying internal practices and increasing protection for Oregonians
- Oregonians’ access to schools and health care
- The Sanctuary Promises Act

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

The amendment 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.

BACKGROUND:

In 1987, Oregon adopted 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 Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 180.805, 180.810, and 181A.820 to 181A.829 (see also the DOJ’s “[Sanctuary Promise Guidance](#)”). In response to a sharp rise in federal immigration enforcement, Governor Tina Kotek issued an [executive order](#) directing state agencies to coordinate their responses to support immigrant and refugee communities.