

**SB 1570 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Sen. Campos

**Senate Committee On Health Care**

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**Action Date:** 02/16/26

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

**Vote:** 3-2-0-0

**Yea:** 3 - Campos, Patterson, Reynolds

**Nay:** 2 - Hayden, Linthicum

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/4, 2/9, 2/16

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

The measure directs hospitals to establish designated public and nonpublic areas and designate an administrator to respond when law enforcement authorities arrive. It takes effect on the 91st day after sine die.

**Detailed Summary:**

- Defines “law enforcement”
- Directs hospitals to designate nonpublic areas, where access is controlled or patients receive care
- Requires hospitals to designate an administrator to respond when a law enforcement officer arrives at the hospital
- Prohibits hospitals and federally qualified health centers from retaliating or taking adverse action against any worker who provides a patient with information published by a state agency about constitutional rights or legal services
- Permits an employee who alleges a violation to file a complaint with the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI)
- Prohibits hospitals from disclosing information about a person’s health or immigration status for law enforcement purposes, unless required by law or court order
- Requires a health care provider within a hospital to treat information about citizenship or immigration status as protected health information under state law

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Law enforcement’s role in the health care space
- Applicability to local, state, and federal law enforcement officials
- Protocols for information related to Healthier Oregon program members
- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) requirements and exceptions

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

The amendment replaces the measure.

**BACKGROUND:**

Federal immigration laws are primarily enforced by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, which oversees U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The primary legal foundation for U.S. immigration enforcement is the Immigration and Nationality Act, at [8 U.S.C. Section 1357](#). Local and state police authorities are described in [Oregon Revised Statutes \(ORS\) Chapter 133](#) and [ORS Chapter 181A](#) generally. Hospitals and federally qualified health centers are licensed under [ORS Chapter 441](#). State protections for health information are established in ORS 192.553.