Oregon Legislative History Research:

From the 2007 Regular Session to the present

 Oregon legislative history research requires knowing your law's bill number and year.

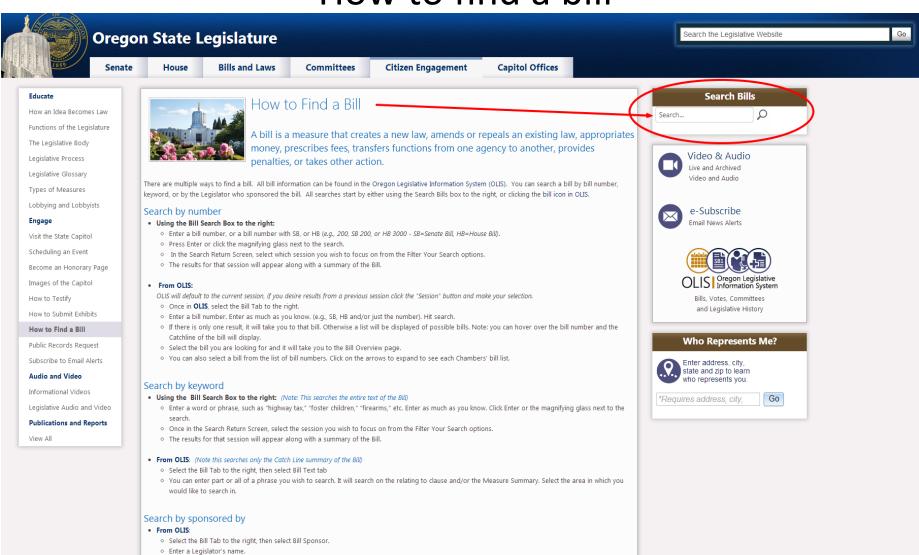
 The bill number is how your statute was known as it worked through the Senate and House, before it became a law.

 There are several ways to locate a bill using the Oregon Legislative Information System: by keyword search, by bill number, or by bill sponsor. The first part of this tutorial will help you to locate a bill by keyword search or bill number, using this free website:

https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/
citizen_engagement/Pages/Find-a-Bill.aspx

The remainder of the tutorial will show you which legislative history sources are linked to the bill.

How to find a bill



Search by number or keyword



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How to Find a Bill

A bill is a measure that creates a new law, amends or repeals an existing law, appropriate money, prescribes fees, transfers functions from one agency to another, provides penalties, or takes other action.

There are multiple ways to find a bill. All bill information can be found in the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS). You can search bill by bill number, keyword, or by the Legislator who sponsored the bill. All searches start by either using the Search Bills box to the right, or clicking the bill icon in OLIS.

Search by number

. Using the Bill Search Box to the right:

- Enter a bill number, or a bill number with SB, or HB (e.g., 200, SB 200, or HB 3000 SB=Senate Bill, HB=Home Bill).
- o Press Enter or click the magnifying glass next to the search.
- In the Search Return Screen, select which session you wish to focus on from the Filter Your Search options.
- o The results for that session will appear along with a summary of the Bill.

From OLIS:

OLIS will default to the current session, if you desire results from a previous session click the "Session" button and make your selection.

- o Once in OLIS, select the Bill Tab to the right.
- Enter a bill number. Enter as much as you know. (e.g., SB, HB and/or just the number). Hit search.
- If there is only one result, it will take you to that bill. Otherwise a list will be displayed of possible bills. Note: you can hover over the bill number and the Catchline of the bill will display.
- · Select the bill you are looking for and it will ake you to the Bill Overview page.
- You can also select a bill from the list bill numbers. Click on the arrows to expand to see each Chambers' bill list.

Search by keyword

. Using the Bill Search Box to the right: (Note: This searches the entire text of the Bill)

- Enter a word or phrase, such as "highway tax," "foster children," "firearms," etc. Enter as much as you know. Click Enter or the magnifying glass next to the search.
- o Once in the Search Return Screen, select the session you wish to focus on from the Filter Your Search options.
- · The results for that session will appear along with a summary of the Bill.

• From OLIS: (Note this searches only the Catch Line summary of the Bill)

- · Select the Bill Tab to the right, then select Bill Text tab
- You can enter part or all of a phrase you wish to search. It will search on the relating to clause and/or the Measure Summary. Select the area in which you would like to search in.

Search by sponsored by

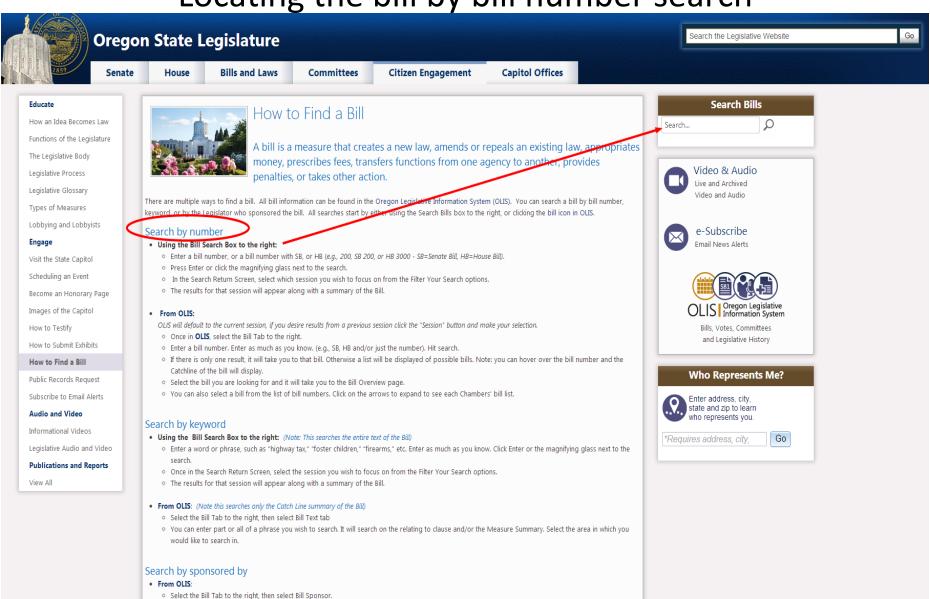
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- o Select the Bill Tab to the right, then select Bill Sponsor.
- Enter a Legislator's name.



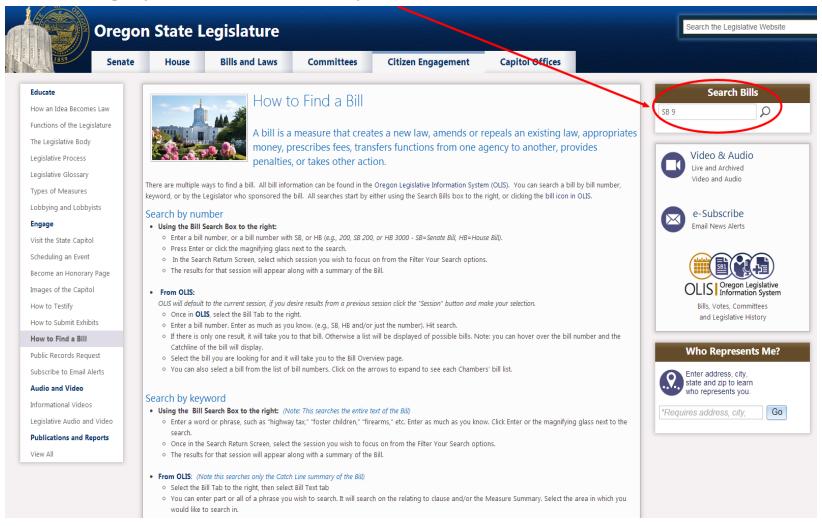
Search the Legislative Website

Locating the bill by bill number search

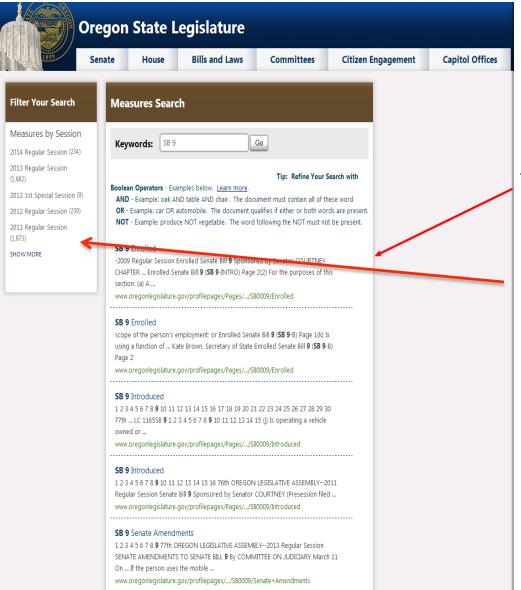


Example search by bill number

Searching by bill number. Example: here is a search for Senate Bill 9.



You can narrow your results by the session year using the filters to the left of the results.



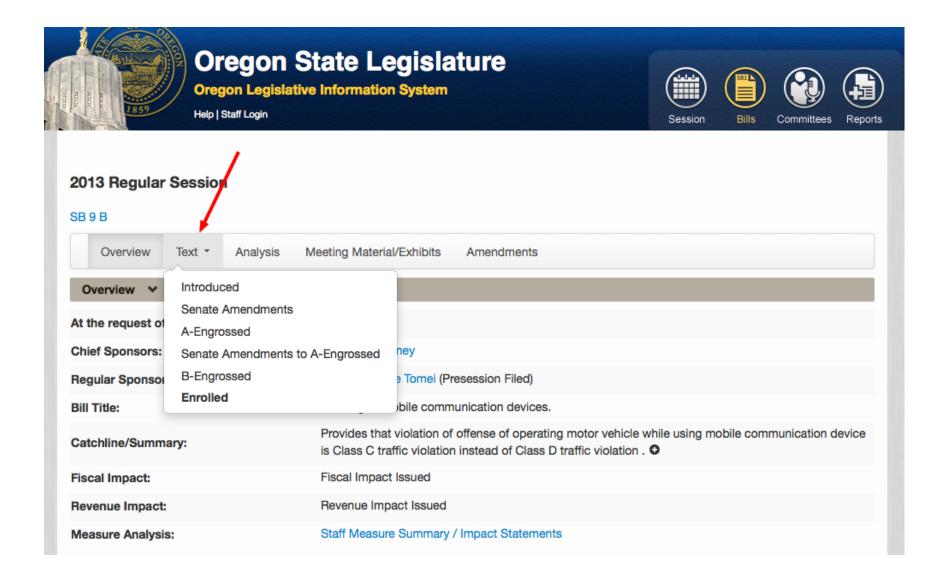
Here are the results for the "SB 9" search

After narrowing your bill by the session, several versions of the bill will be displayed in the results:

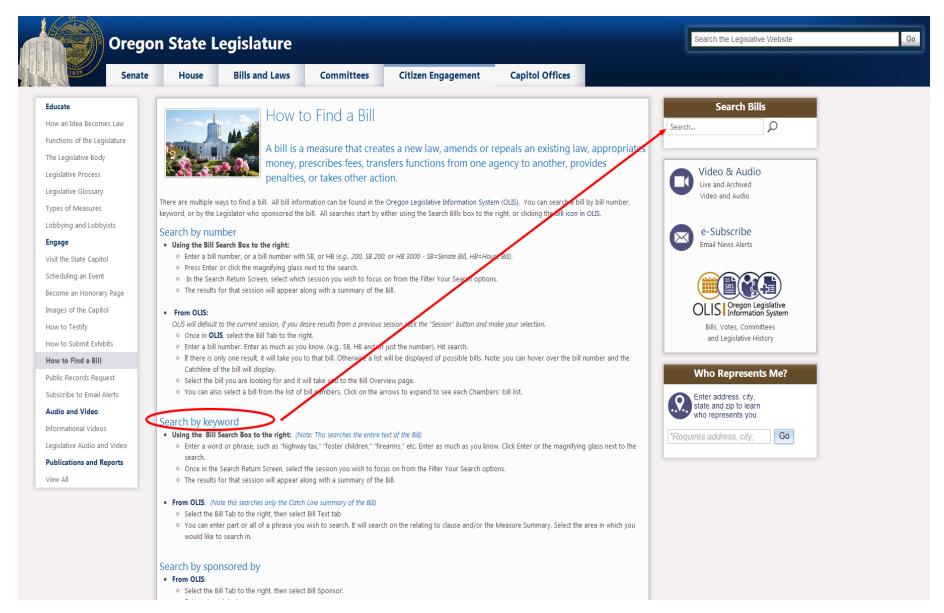
Introduced
With Amendments
Engrossed
Enrolled (final version)

Click on any link, all versions will take you to the same bill page.

Click on the Text tab to view the different versions.

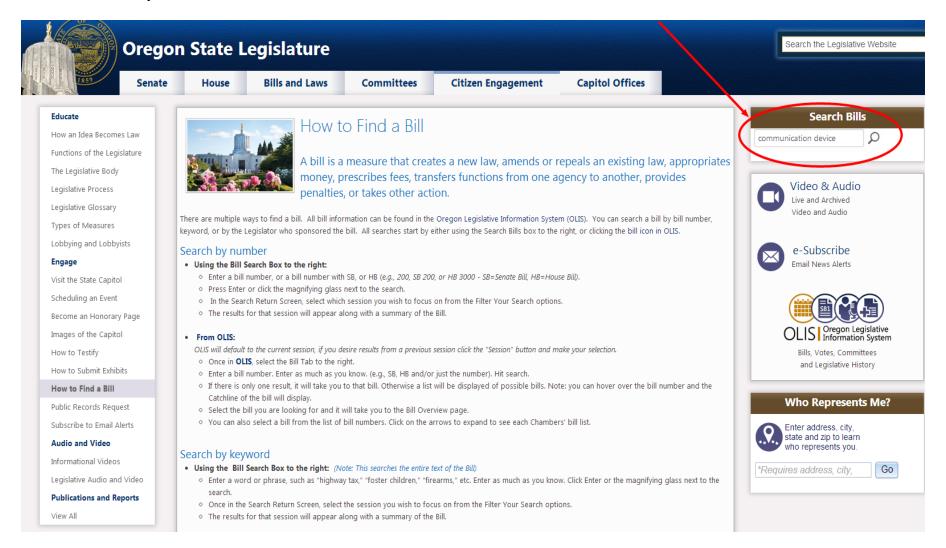


If you don't know the bill number and session, you can locate the bill by keyword search

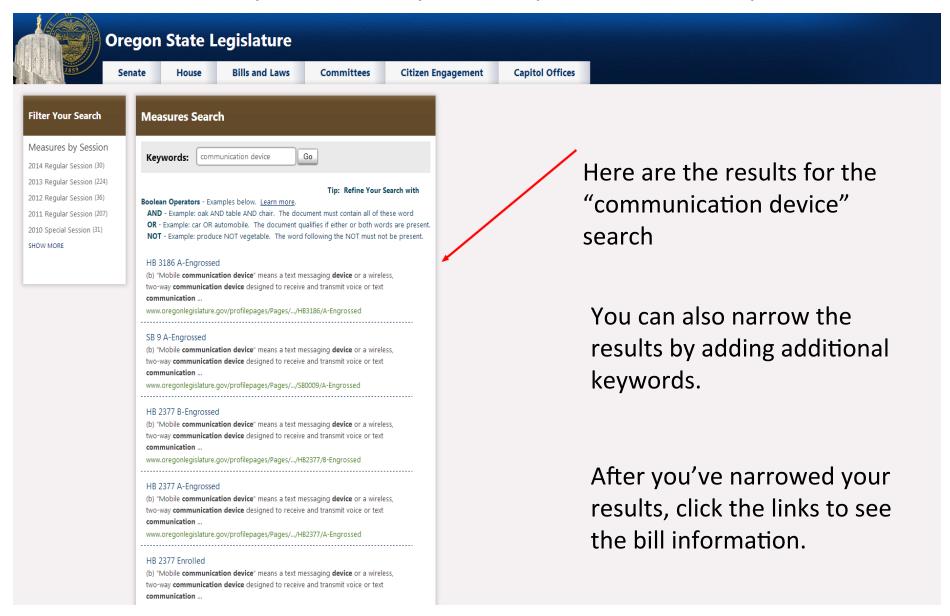


Searching by keyword.

Example: here is a search for the words "communication device."



You can narrow your results by session/year to the left of your results.



If you know the session, you can also click the bill icon and search for a bill by sponsor, number, or words in the bill title or summary.



You can also drill down to locate the bill or click on the bill icon and search by bill number.

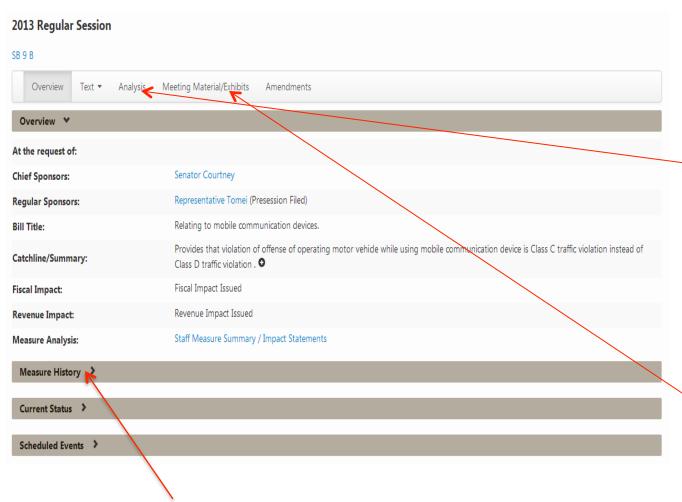


Legislative History: what might be available*.

- Text
 - Bill versions
 - Bill amendments
- Analysis
 - Staff measure summaries
 - Impact statements
 - Budget reports
- Meeting Material/Exhibits
 - Bill information packet
 - Exhibits
 - Written Testimony
- Measure History
 - Recording logs
 - Committee agendas
 - Audio recordings

^{*}Not every bill will have all of these items linked to the bill page.

Legislative history: where it's located.



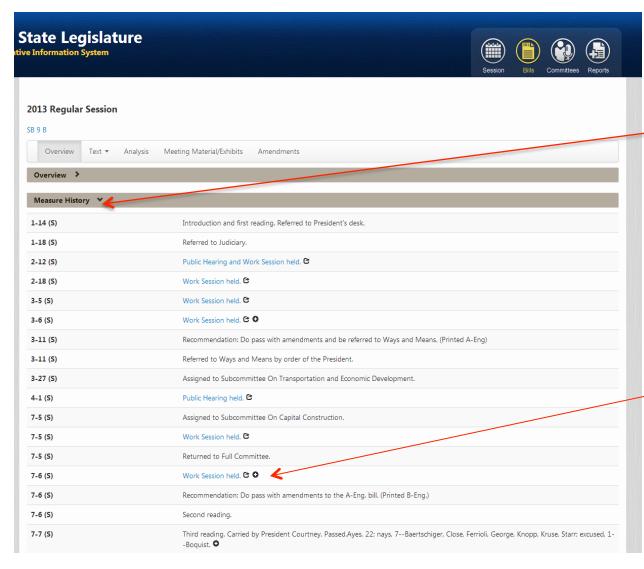
Click on **Measure History** to listen to the Committee hearings and work sessions and to see the votes.

Click on the **Text** tab to find versions of the bill and any proposed amendments.

Click on the **Analysis** tab to find staff measure summary, impact statements, and budget reports.

Click on the Meeting Material/Exhibits tab to find the bill information packet, written testimony and other supplemental materials.

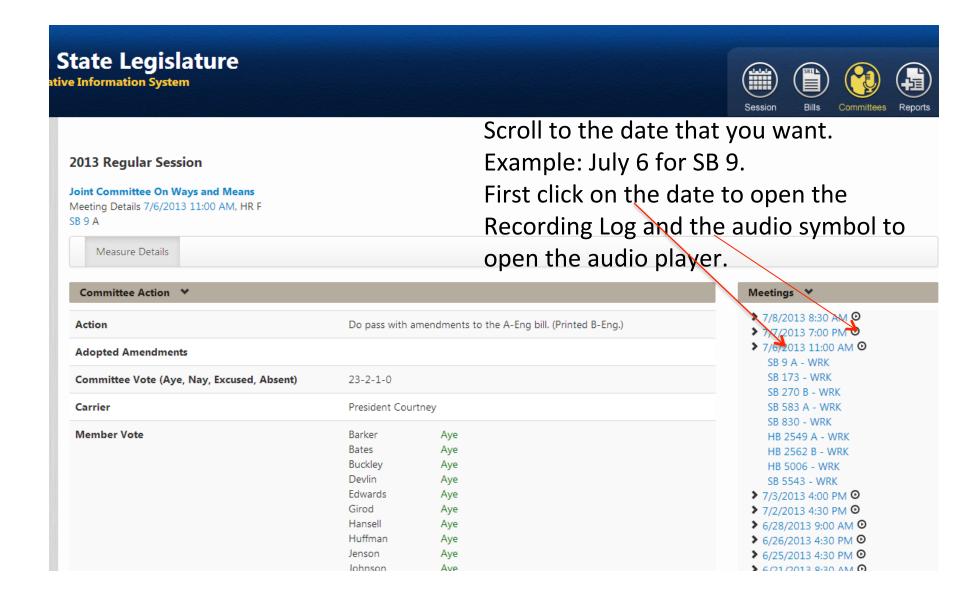
Legislative History: Committee Meetings



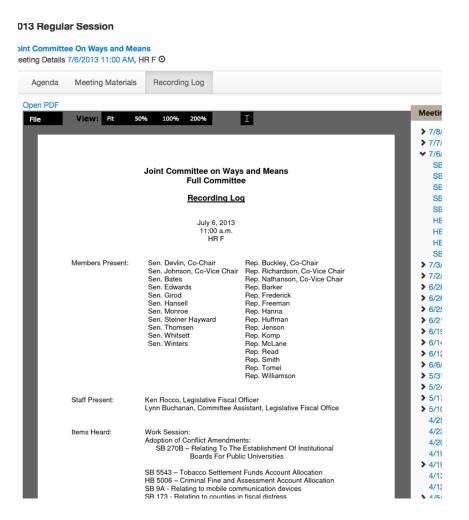
From Measure History, you can click on highlighted work sessions and public hearings to hear verbatim audio recordings.

Example: to hear audio of the Work Session held on July 6, click on the link.

Legislative History: Audio Recordings

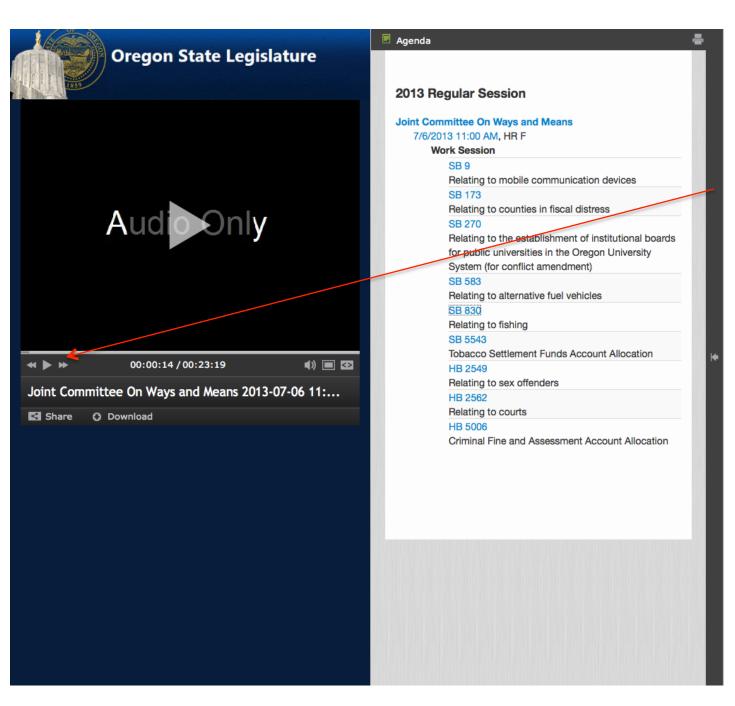


The Recording Log identifies the time your bill was discussed and the action taken.



Page 3 of the Recording Log indicates that the work session on SB 9 began at 11:20:13 AM.

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Huffman, Tomei, Read, Williamson
11:20:05 AM EXC. Rep. Frederick
11:20:06 AM MOTION CARRIES
11:20:07 AM Co-Chair Devlin CLOSES WORK SESSION
11:20:13 AM Co-Chair Devlin OPENS WORK SESSION ON SB 9 - RELATING TO MOBILE
            COMMUNICATION DEVICES
11:20:14 AM (Exhibit) 7. SB 9, LFO bill information packet
11:20:15 AM Sen. Girod MOVES the subcommittee recommendation; reads pony
11:21:21 AM Sen. Steiner Hayward
11:22:29 AM Rep. Freeman
11:22:55 AM Sen. Whitsett
11:23:17 AM Rep. Tomei
11:24:39 AM VOTE: 23-2-1
11:24:43 AM AYES: Sens. Devlin, Johnson, Winters, Bates, Whitsett, Girod, Monroe,
            Edwards, Thomsen, Steiner Hayward, Hansell; Reps. Buckley, Nathanson,
            Richardson, Smith, Jenson, Komp, Barker, McLane, Huffman, Tomei, Read,
            Williamson
11:24:45 AM NAYS: Reps. Hanna, Freeman
11:24:48 AM EXC. Rep. Frederick
11:24:50 AM MOTION CARRIES
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Use the arrows to forward the audio to the discussion of SB 9. Since the meeting and the recording does not begin until 11:09 am, SB 9 will be discussed at minute 11 on the counter.

Go to:

https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/Legislative-Video.aspx

for this helpful page. Click on **Audio and Video Help** for tips on using the Legislative Audio/Video player.

