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## Democrats attempt to sidestep federal immigration law with HB 3464

**Salem, Ore.** - House Democrats today voted to expand Oregon's sanctuary state law in an attempt to subvert federal immigration policy. HB 3464 seeks to restrict the ability of state and local agencies, including law enforcement, to inquire about an individual's immigration status. The bill specifically prohibits public agencies from disclosing information to the federal government except in certain circumstances.

"We all acknowledge that our federal immigration system is broken, but HB 3464 will do little to solve the problem," said Representative Andy Olson (R-Albany). "This bill would make it nearly impossible for state and local law enforcement to cooperate with federal immigration officials and would allow even individuals who have been convicted of serious crimes to escape immigration enforcement. I cannot support this effort to subvert the rule of law."

In opposing the bill, House Republicans argued the legislation conflicts with the Illegal Immigration Reform Act and the Immigrant Responsibility Act, which prohibit state and local governments from restricting their employees from sharing and receiving information regarding an individual's immigration status with the federal government. The bill would also prevent public agencies from sharing basic contact information with other public bodies.

HB 3464 passed the House on a 35-25 vote. The bill now moves to the Senate for further consideration.

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