76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2012 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 4008 CARRIER: Sen. Shields

Senate Committee on Health Care, Human Services & Rural Health Policy

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass **Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bates, Kruse, Morse, Shields, Monnes Anderson

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 2/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies requirements for licensure by Oregon Board of Medical Imaging. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of bill
- Allows provisional license-holders to continue to work until 2014
- Allows state-sponsored license-holders to continue to work after 2014
- Allows grandfathered radiographers to continue to work after 2014
- Concerns with physicians self-referring to their own imaging company
- Stark Law

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: In 2009, the Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2245. The measure made several changes relating to the governance of the practice of medical imaging:

- Changed the Board of Radiologic Technology to the Oregon Board of Medical Imaging (OBMI);
- Expanded the definition of medical imaging to include new technologies;
- Modified the medical imaging licensing provisions; and
- Established deadlines for the new licensing requirements.

Upon implementation of these modifications, OBMI has become aware of three groups of current licensees that are negatively impacted by House Bill 2245.

House Bill 4008 allows provisional license-holders and "state sponsored" license holders to continue to work until 2014; and to allow grandfathered radiographers to continue to work after 2014. These modifications will allow those technologists to continue to work without any disruptions to allow these licensees to fulfill the updated requirements.