2007 Regular Legislative Session FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 1034 STATUS: Original

SUBJECT: Increases maximum fee for certified nursing assistant certificates and renewals.

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Oregon Board of Nursing

PREPARED BY: Tim Walker **REVIEWED BY:** Theresa McHugh

DATE: April 18, 2007

EXPENDITURES: See Comments	2007-2009	<u>2009-2011</u>
REVENUES: Other Funds	\$ 128,175	\$ 170,900

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2008

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is not anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

COMMENTS: This bill would allow the Board of Nursing to raise the fees for Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) certification and renewal from the current \$40 to a maximum of \$75. Currently, the fees for these activities are capped in statute and the Board has been at the maximum fee allowed since 2003.

The Board anticipates raising the fee for issuing a CNA certificate from \$40 to \$60 and the renewal of the certificate from \$40 to \$50. This will raise an additional \$128,175 in 2007-09 and \$170,900 in 2009-11. The Board currently has the authority to raise the fee charged for CNA examinations as necessary to cover expenses. Without the ability to raise the fees for certificates and renewals, the Board would have to continue to raise the fees on CNA examinations to cover the increasing expenses of the program. At this point, the increased revenue from the fee increase would be used to increase the ending balance and no new limitation is contemplated.