

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to Ways and Means
Vote: 8 - 0 - 1
Yeas: Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Flores, Komp, Krieger, Whisnant, Macpherson
Nays: 0
Exc.: Read
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Meeting Dates: 1/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Provides that employees of the Oregon State Bar (OSB) may participate in the deferred compensation plan created by and described in ORS 243.401 to 243.507, the Oregon Savings Growth Plan (OSGP).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Legal Status of OSB and its employees
- Structure and services of the OSGP
- The interaction of the OSGP and the Public Employees Retirement System

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 9.010 lists the specific statutes, applicable to public bodies, that apply to the OSB. The statutes that created the OSGP, ORS 243.401 to 243.507, are not included in ORS 9.010, although arguably OSB employees qualify as “eligible state employees” who may participate in the plan because they are employees of an “instrumentality of state government.” HB 2358 removes the ambiguity by providing that OSB employees may participate in the OSGP.