74th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2007 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 209 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: CONSENT

House Committee on Health Care

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar

Vote: 8 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Bonamici, Bruun, Cannon, Flores, Gelser, Kotek, Richardson, Greenlick

Nays: 0 Exc.: Maurer

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Meeting Dates: 5/1 (Policy sub), 5/8 (Full)

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies educational requirements for two members of the Council on Naturopathic Physicians Formulary.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Limited number of individuals with a pharmacognosy degree
- Current educational requirements
- Requirement for council members having advanced degrees

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Council on Naturopathic Physicians Formulary determines which substances may be prescribed by naturopathic physicians licensed by the Board of Naturopathic Examiners (BNE). Currently, two members of the council are required to hold an advanced degree in either pharmacology or pharmacognosy. There are very few people who hold advanced degrees in either of these fields, making it difficult for the council to fill positions and do business. SB 209 modifies this requirement and allows the board to appoint members with an advanced degree in any medical or pharmaceutical science.