

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
<b>Vote:</b>	9 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Bonamici, Bruun, Cannon, Flores, Gelser, Kotek, Maurer, Richardson, Greenlick
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/13 (policy sub), 3/23 (full)

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Eliminates authority of State Board of Psychologist Examiners to deny license renewal for a licensee's failure to complete required pain management education program prior to paying license renewal fee.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Uncertainty about existing language accomplishing desired result
- Pain management course and current licensing requirement
- Current authority for denying license renewal

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Currently, 2005 Oregon Laws (Chapter 162) authorizes the Pain Management Commission of the Department of Human Services Pain Management Division to require that all health professionals take pain management education as part of their continuing education requirement. A technicality in the way the measure was written allowed the Oregon Board of Psychologist Examiners to deny the renewal of a license or initial licensure of an applicant until the pain management course was completed. The board asserts that this was not the intent of the previous legislation.