

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
Vote:	10 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Bruun, Cannon, Dembrow, Garrett, Harker, Kennemer, Kotek, Maurer, Thompson, Greenlick
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	1/30, 4/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes name of Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators to Nursing Home Administrators Board. Establishes Oregon Health Licensing Agency as authority to provide administrative and regulatory oversight and centralized service for the Nursing Home Administrators Board. Removes language that Governor may remove members of the Board for misconduct. Limits transfer of funds to the unexpended balance of the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators Account established in ORS 678.830. Declares an emergency; becomes effective July 1, 2009.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Budget and financial issues of Board of Nursing Home Administrators
- Improved regulatory oversight
- Board can focus on licensure and oversight of administrators

EFFECT OF THE AMENDMENT: Removes language that Governor may remove members of the Board for misconduct. Limits transfer of funds to the unexpended balance of the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators Account established in ORS 678.830. Declares an emergency; becomes effective July 1, 2009.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a state consumer protection agency that provides centralized regulatory oversight for 16 health and related professions. The agency holds statutory authority to carry out a range of regulatory activities, from issuing licenses, conducting examinations, responding to consumer complaints against licensees, and inspecting licensed businesses.