## 75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session **MEASURE: CARRIER:**

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

**House Committee on Health Care** 

**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

10 - 0 - 0 Vote:

> Bruun, Cannon, Dembrow, Garrett, Harker, Kennemer, Kotek, Maurer, Thompson, Greenlick Yeas:

HB 2245 A

Nays: 0 Exc.:

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/9, 3/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes name of Board of Radiologic Technology to Board of Medical Imaging. Defines medical imaging modality and other related terms. Creates specific modalities of medical imaging. Revises various provisions relating to medical imaging licensees and limited X-ray machine operator permittees. Establishes requirement that persons applying on or after January 1, 2014 for license to practice medical imaging modality have credential issued by nationally recognized credentialing organization.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Background on interim stakeholder workgroup
- Importance of emerging technology and modernization of the Board
- Provisions of the bill
- Ongoing advancements in the profession
- Proposed amendments

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Makes additional revisions and technical changes to definitions, education criteria, and licensing.

**BACKGROUND:** The Board of Radiologic Technology was established in 1977 to ensure the quality of radiation therapy, fluoroscopy, computed tomography (CT) scans, mammography, bone densitometry and other means of medical imaging by assuring the quality of radiologic technology operators. The board licenses diagnostic or therapeutic technologists and diagnostic technicians, administers Limited Permit Examinations to determine initial competence to practice as radiologic technicians, and approves continuing education offerings to ensure continuing competence for both technologists and technicians.

The mission of the Oregon Board of Radiologic Technology is to promote, preserve and protect the public health, safety and welfare of Oregonians when being exposed to ionizing radiation by agency licensees for the purpose of medical diagnosis or radiation therapy.