

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. D. Edwards  
Carrier – Senate:

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

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Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure as Amended and Be Printed B-Engrossed

Vote: 21 – 0 – 1

House

Yeas: Buckley, C. Edwards, D. Edwards, Galizio, Garrard, Gilman, Jenson, Kotek, Nathanson, Richardson, Shields, G. Smith

Nays:

Exc:

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Carter, Girod, Johnson, Monroe, Nelson, Verger, Walker, Whitsett

Nays:

Exc: Winters

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Meeting Date: June 23, 2009

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**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.

Expenditure limitation and position authority will be established by the legislature in a supplemental session prior to the effective date of the bill.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The amendment provides time to plan for the transition, including necessary programming changes to establish new licensing requirements and the name change.
- The Legislative Fiscal Office will work with the agency to determine the actual 2009-11 biennium revenues, expenditure limitation and positions required to implement the bill.

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Makes the provisions of the bill effective July 1, 2010.

**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.