

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass
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Yeas: Barton, Cameron, Edwards C., Esquivel, Holvey, Kennemer, Matthews, Thatcher, Witt, Schaufler
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0
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Meeting Dates: 4/22, 4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Describes the method by which an owner or person in charge of hotel or motel may comply with the statutory requirement to post signs giving notice of smoking laws.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Overview of Oregon's Smokefree Workplace Law
- Ability to establish provisions via administrative rule
- Proposed amendment to establish exemption for smoking instruments used in live theater productions

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Under Oregon's Smokefree Workplace Law (SB 571 – 2007 legislative session), smoking is prohibited in most public places with few exceptions. While up to 25 percent of guest rooms at a hotel or motel may be designated as smoking rooms by either the owner or entity in charge, they must still be compliant with the smokefree requirement at the rest of the facility.

HB 3219 establishes signage requirements of the Smokefree Workplace Law for a hotel or motel, which include posting signs at the main entrance, notifying a guest of the law and the smoking status of their room (upon checking in). The measure also requires the hotel or motel owner to establish policies to deter unlawful smoking on the premises.