

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
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:	2/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Repeals the January 2, 2010 sunset date on the Oregon Patient Safety Commission.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Review of hospital initial benchmarks
- North Star Goal
- Importance of continued access to tracking and reporting adverse events
- Number of hospitals that have signed agreements with the Commission

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Patient Safety Commission was created by the 2003 Legislative Assembly as a semi independent agency. The Commission's mission is to improve patient safety by reducing the risk of adverse events occurring in Oregon's health care system, and by encouraging a culture of patient safety in Oregon.

Currently, the Commission is Oregon's primary organization that partners with hospitals to reduce the number of adverse events in the health care system. This voluntary reporting program includes 56 of the 58 hospitals in Oregon (99 percent of all inpatient care), 75 percent of all Oregon's nursing homes, 53 percent of ambulatory surgery centers, plus 130 of the state's 700 pharmacies have joined or stated that they plan to join. In November 2008, the Commission was certified by the United States Department of Health & Human Services, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, as a "Patient Safety Organization."