75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 131 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: CONSENT

House Committee on Health Care

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar

Vote: 6 - 0 - 4

Yeas: Cannon, Dembrow, Garrett, Harker, Kotek, Greenlick

Nays: 0

Exc.: Bruun, Kennemer, Maurer, Thompson

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Meeting Dates: 3/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes the name of Board of Naturopathic Examiners to Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine. Requires that all members of the Board be residents of Oregon. Provides grammatical changes to statutory language.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT: No Amendment.

BACKGROUND: When established in 1927, the Board of Naturopathic Examiners created and administered all licensing for naturopathic physicians. As the number of naturopathic physicians grew in the early 80's, the Board began contracting with the Naturopathic Physicians Licensing Examinations (NPLEX) to create the examinations, while the Board continued to administer them. In 2000, The North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners (NABNE) was created to administer the NPLEX examinations throughout the United States and Canada. Because the Board is no longer involved in either creating or administrating examinations, the name change is required to minimize confusion.