

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:	8 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Barton, Cameron, Edwards C., Esquivel, Matthews, Thatcher, Witt, Schaufler
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Holvey, Kennemer
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Meeting Dates:	5/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes the Oregon State Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying (OSBEELS) to use national organizations' standardized examinations in evaluating applicant qualifications.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- How the measure clarifies the usage of standardized examinations in statute
- Current examination process

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: In order to practice engineering, land surveying, and photogrammetric mapping in Oregon, a person must pass a qualifying examination through the Oregon State Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying (OSBEELS) prior to being issued a certificate of registration.

SB 144 addresses individuals who have met national organizations' examination requirements such as the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES), even if they did not take the examination in Oregon. The measure allows OSBEELS to issue certificates of registration if the applicant has provided satisfactory proof that they meet minimum qualifications, taken a standardized examination administered by a national organization recognized by the board within five years prior to the application date, and has a record of at least four years of active practice in work specific to the certificate of registration.