2009 Regular Legislative Session
FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION
Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 25 **STATUS:** B-Engrossed
SUBJECT: Establishes Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board
GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Department of Human Services Addictions and Mental Health Division
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DATE: May 28, 2009

	2009-2011	2011-2013
EXPENDITURES:		
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EFFECTIVE DATE: On Passage

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

ANALYSIS: This bill establishes in the Department of Human Services a 16-member Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board, consisting of two nonvoting members from the Legislative Assembly, three nonvoting members who are members of a public employee bargaining unit and who are employed by the Oregon State Hospital, and eleven voting members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.

The Advisory Board is charged with improving the safety, security and care of patients of the hospital by periodically conducting a comprehensive review of performance measures, federal and state laws, administrative rules, policies, procedures and protocols of the Oregon State Hospital concerning the safety, security and care of patients. The Advisory Board may establish ad hoc committees to aid and advise the board in the performance of its functions. Members of ad hoc committees are not entitled to compensation.

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is directed to provide staff support for the Advisory Board. Passage of this bill will have a minimal fiscal impact on the Department. DHS states that if this bill passes, the agency will not ask for additional staffing and will absorb a portion of the administrative costs by abolishing the existing non-statutory Oregon State Hospital ad hoc committee and the position that currently supports this ad hoc committee will staff this new Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board.