

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	8 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Frederick, Greenlick, Harker, Parrish, Thompson, Weidner, Gilliam, Tomei
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/23, 3/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Exempts school social workers from licensing requirements of clinical social workers and requires that applicant for a Licensed Clinical Social Worker licensure has satisfactorily completed the requirements for certificate of clinical social work as defined in Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 675.537.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Removal of dual licensure requirement allowing licensees through Teachers Standards and Practices Commission to use title of “school social worker” without requiring licensure through Oregon Board of Licensed Social Workers
- Dual licensure requirement outlined in practice act section of ORS 675.530
- Need to relocate dual license requirement into title protection section of ORS 675.530
- Additional amendment necessary to remove drafting error in ORS 675.530(2)(d)
- Concurrence by stakeholders on amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces original measure.

BACKGROUND: Individuals holding Masters of Social Work (MSWs) and the School of Social Work at Portland State University purport social workers lack the option to become licensed through the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) as social workers in schools. The 2010 legislature allowed for a school social worker license option for MSWs by rule, based upon TSPC’s existing statutory authority. Originally, Senate Bill 177 (2009) required that only those with degrees in social work and licensure from the Oregon Board of Licensed Social Workers would be permitted to use the title “social worker”. House Bill 2314A provides a technical fix for an unintended consequence resulting for passage of Senate Bill 177.