

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Freeman
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Bates

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure as Amended and as Printed B-Engrossed

Vote: 25 – 0 – 0

House

Yeas: Beyer, Buckley, Cowan, Freeman, Garrard, Komp, Kotek, McLane, Nathanson, Nolan, Richardson, G. Smith, Thatcher, Whisnant

Nays:

Exc:

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Girod, Johnson, Monroe, Nelson, Thomsen, Verger, Whitsett, Winters

Nays:

Exc:

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Meeting Date: June 15, 2011

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Removes sunset provision on the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission. Adds a person with information technology system expertise to the Commission. Adds ex officio members to the Commission representing the Department of Human Services, Oregon Youth Authority, State Commission on Children and Families and Oregon Liquor Control Commission. Authorizes Commission to establish pilot programs in Oregon communities to phase in and implement long-term treatment plans and prevention programs, establish priorities, set minimum standards for drug prevention and treatment programs financed with state or other funds administered by the state, and to develop and implement a plan for structuring the State's data collection and reporting systems for these programs. Specifies committee create a budget advisory committee to recommend to the Commission budget policy priorities, funding sources and when to suspend payment of funding. Establishes a Governor-appointed Director of the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission to assist in carrying out the responsibilities of the Commission. Requires participating agencies in the bill to cooperate and provide staff and financial assistance to the Commission including changes to agency information systems and promote treatment delivery infrastructure to meet the demand for services.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Funding of \$550,000 for a scaled-back implementation is included in HB 5529, the budget bill for the Oregon Health Authority

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Changes language in Section 6 to require district school boards to consult with the Commission on alcohol and drug policy rather than requiring them to conform to the policies and priorities of the Commission.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 3353 (2009) created the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission. The Commission is charged with producing a plan for the funding and effective delivery of alcohol and drug treatment and prevention services. The Commission provides recommendations regarding a strategy for delivering state-funded treatment and prevention services; establishing the priority of funding for treatment and prevention services; providing strategies to maximize accountability for performance of treatment and prevention services; methods to standardize data collection and reporting; and a strategy to consolidate treatment.