

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
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Yeas:	Bates, Kruse, Morse, Shields, Monnes Anderson
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Meeting Dates:	2/7, 2/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to establish and administer a statewide injury and violence protection program (Program). Allows OHA to accept gifts, grants or contributions from any source for the purpose of administering the Program. Continuously appropriates funds to OHA for the purposes of administering the Program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Burden of establishing a brain trauma registry
- Interplay of Program and Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration and SAIF Corporation
- Scope of work for establishing Program
- Funding for the Program

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Removes provisions allowing OHA to establish a traumatic brain injury registry.

BACKGROUND: According to OHA, injuries are the leading cause of death for Oregonians under the age of 44. Hospitalization charges for unintentional injuries are more than \$348 million each year in Oregon.

OHA currently has a small injury and violence protection program that is authorized under its general mandates, but it does not have explicit reference to such a program in its authorizing statutes. OHA indicates that the lack of an explicit reference hurts the state when it competes for federal or foundation funds for injury prevention.