

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
Vote:	7 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Cannon, Doherty, Hoyle, Parrish, Weidner, Greenlick, Thompson
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Kennemer
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Meeting Dates:	4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Clarifies that student serving internship that covers both funeral services and embalming must be supervised by practitioner with combination funeral service practitioner and embalmer license.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Purpose of the bill
- Increased interest in the profession

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Oregon State Mortuary and Cemetery Board licenses individual death care professionals and the facilities where they work. The Board's major duties include providing impartial oversight, regulation, testing, review, registration, certification, and discipline of funeral service practitioners, embalmers, funeral establishments, immediate disposition companies, cemeteries and crematoriums. The Board also monitors and administers an apprenticeship program for apprentice funeral service practitioners and embalmers.

SB 137 provides clarity to statute regulating apprenticeship in order to account for an increase in the number of programs teaching both funeral services and embalming.