

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Bates, Kruse, Morse, Shields, Monnes Anderson
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/2

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Clarifies that a student serving an internship in a program that covers both funeral services and embalming must be supervised by a practitioner who has a combination funeral service practitioner and embalmer license.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Increase in number of programs teaching both funeral services and embalming

**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 clarifies the statute regulating apprenticeship to account for an increase in the number of programs teaching both funeral services and embalming.