

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 4 - 0 - 1

**Yeas:** Bates, Kruse, Shields, Monnes Anderson

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** Morse

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/14, 4/13

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Creates the Task Force on Oregon Curriculum and Training Standards for Performing Clinical Breast Examinations (Task Force). Specifies membership and duties of Task Force. Allows Task Force to adopt rules. Requires Task Force to report to the Legislative Assembly no later than the 2013 regular session. Requires state agencies to assist Task Force and, to the extent permitted by confidentiality laws, to furnish information and advice to Task Force members. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Importance of early detection of breast cancer
- Importance of careful and thorough examinations

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces measure.

**BACKGROUND:** Breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women, with the exception of skin cancer. The chance of developing invasive breast cancer at some time in a woman's life is a little less than one in eight. The American Cancer Society estimates for 2010 there would be 207,090 new cases of invasive breast cancer and 39,840 breast cancer deaths. The breast cancer rate in Oregon is 132 cases per 100,000 women, ranking in a tie for third highest in the United States according to the American Cancer Society.

Senate Bill 493-A creates a Task Force to: (a) investigate ways to decrease the number of delayed breast cancer diagnoses in Oregon; (b) review existing clinical breast cancer examination curricula and training standards at medical schools and hospitals; (c) review existing clinical breast cancer examination curricula and training standards for health care providers; (d) identify deficiencies in increasing awareness about the need for health care provider training; and, (e) explore whether the state should adopt a standardized clinical breast examination protocol.