Senate Bill 590

Sponsored by Senator WHITSETT

SUMMARY

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Provides that after assignment of administrative law judge from Office of Administrative Hearings, chief administrative law judge may assign different administrative law judge for hearing only upon showing of good cause.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to administrative law judges; amending ORS 183.645.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 183.645 is amended to read:

5 183.645. [(1)] After assignment of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative 6 Hearings to conduct a hearing on behalf of an agency, the chief administrative law judge [shall] 7 **may** assign a different administrative law judge for the hearing [upon receiving a written request 8 from any party in the contested case or from the agency] **only upon a showing of good cause**. The 9 chief administrative law judge may by rule establish time limitations and procedures for requests 10 under this section. 11 [(2) Only one request for a change of assignment of administrative law judge under subsection (1)

of this section may be granted by the chief administrative law judge without a showing of good cause. If a party or agency fails to make a request under subsection (1) of this section within the time allowed, or if a party or agency objects to an administrative law judge assigned after a request for a different administrative law judge has been granted under subsection (1) of this section, the chief administrative law judge shall assign a different administrative law judge only upon a showing of good cause.]

[(3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a different administrative law judge may not be
assigned for a hearing provided under ORS 813.410 or 813.440 on suspension of driving privileges,
except upon a showing of good cause.]

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