

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

House Committee on Health Care

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 2/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes name of Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA) to Health Licensing Office and name of Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account to Health Licensing Office Account. Creates Health Licensing Office within Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Grants appointment power over Director of Health Licensing Office to Director of OHA. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: The Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA) was created in 1999 to provide coordinated administrative and regulatory functions for certain health boards, councils and programs involved in protecting the public through licensing and regulation of health-related professions and occupations. OHLA currently functions as an independent state agency. The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) was created in 2009 and tasked with containing costs, improving quality and increasing access to health care in order to improve the lifelong health of Oregonians. The bill recreates OHLA as the Health Licensing Office under OHA.

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This summary has not been adopted or officially endorsed by action of the committee.

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2074

Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2013 Regular Session
Legislative Fiscal Office

*Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed
Versions are Considered Official*

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Date: 2/6/2013

Measure Description:

Changes name of Oregon Health Licensing Agency to Health Licensing Office and name of Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account to Health Licensing Office Account.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA), Department of Administrative Services, Legislative Fiscal Office

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

House Bill 2074 changes the name of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA) to the Health Licensing Office, changes the name of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account to Health Licensing Office Account, and moves the agency within the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). The responsibility of appointing the director of this health licensing entity transfers from the Department of Administrative Services to OHA. Certain sections of the bill become operative on January 1, 2014. The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect on passage.

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA)

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have minimal fiscal impact on OHA and OHLA. Both agencies will use existing staff and resources to carry out the provisions of the bill, including the costs associated with the name change on forms, letterhead, signs, brochures, and websites which is estimated to be approximately \$9,200.

If this bill passes, the unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by OHLA for the biennium ending June 30, 2015 will be transferred to the Oregon Health Authority. OHLA estimates this fund balance to be at approximately \$1,556,640 as of January 1, 2014, the operative date of the bill. Note that balance transfer expenditure and revenue amounts are based on February 2013 projections. These numbers will vary slightly depending on exact date of transfer, and actual expenditures and fees collected.

This bill requires budgetary action to transfer Other Funds and position authority.

Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO)

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have minimal fiscal impact on DAS and LFO. Transfer of OHLA to OHA will only redistribute, not reduce, workload for DAS and LFO.