77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2081 A **CARRIER: Rep. Kennemer**

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Health Care

REVENUE: No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 9 - 0 - 0

> Clem, Conger, Harker, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Thompson, Weidner, Greenlick Yeas:

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2/13, 2/22 **Meeting Dates:**

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies exemptions to prohibition against practice of psychology or representation as psychologist without license. Limits graduate student exemption to students seeking academic credit as part of an organized and supervised training program.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Concerns relating to students not being prepared to provide professional services
- Exemption applies to any graduate training in psychology

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Deletes "professional" from description of the graduate degree program.

BACKGROUND: Currently, ORS 675 allows any enrolled doctoral graduate student to enter into private practice and provide unsupervised and unregulated psychological services to the public, including diagnosis and treatment of serious mental illness.

House Bill 2081-A eliminates existing loophole that allows unregulated practice while making an exemption to allow psychology graduate students to provide services to the public within the oversight of approved academic programs.