

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Baertschiger, Monnes Anderson, Prozanski, Shields
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Meeting Dates:	2/22, 3/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes Commission on Indian Services to include two members of Senate and two members of House of Representatives and removes member from Portland urban area and member from Willamette Valley area from Commission. Specifies two House members may not be of same political party and two Senate members may not be of same political party. Adds one non-voting member from an area in which nonreservation Indians reside and who is associated with Indian Health Care Improvement Act Title V Urban Indian Health program. Declares emergency; effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of Commission
- Current structure of Commission
- Legislative participation on Commission
- Need for bi-partisan representation on Commission
- Effects of amendments

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Removes Commission members from Portland urban area and Willamette Valley area. Adds one non-voting member from an area where nonreservation Indians reside and who is associated with an Indian Health Care Improvement Act Title V Urban Indian Health program. Specifies two members appointed by Senate may not be of same political party and two members appointed by House may not be of same political party.

BACKGROUND: The Legislative Commission on Indian Services (Commission) was created by statute in 1975 to improve services to Indians in Oregon. Its 13 members are appointed jointly by the Senate President and the Speaker of the House to a two-year term. The membership is composed of one member each from the Senate; House of Representatives; Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation; Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation; Burns-Paiute Tribe; the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians; Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde; Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians; Confederated Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Tribes; Klamath Tribe, and Coquille Tribe. The membership also includes one member from urban areas where nonreservation Indians reside in the Portland metro area and the Willamette Valley area.

Senate Bill 3A retains a total of 13 voting members, but removes the two members from the Willamette Valley and the Portland urban area and adds one Senator and one Representative, as well as one nonvoting member who has experience with Indian Health Care Improvement Act Title V Urban Indian Health program. The bill requires that the two members from either chamber be of different political parties.

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