## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 3131 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER:

House Committee on Human Services and Housing

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and

Means

**Vote:** 6 - 3 - 0

Yeas: Gallegos, Gelser, Gilliam, Gomberg, Keny-Guyer, Tomei

Nays: Olson, Whisnant, Whitsett

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/5, 4/10, 4/15, 4/17

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires Oregon State Hospital superintendent establish and implement program for continuous employment of health care professionals who provide specified services.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Continuity of care
- Improvement of patient services
- Staffing positions to fill shifts

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

**BACKGROUND:** The Oregon State Hospital (OSH) provides services to civilly and criminally committed adults in need of intensive psychiatric treatment for severe and persistent mental illness. In 2012, OSH provided care for 1,183 people who could not be served in the community. The level of care provided to hospitalized persons includes 24 hour nursing and psychiatric, on-site credentialed professional staff, organized medical staff, treatment planning, pharmacy, laboratory, on-site food and nutritional services, and vocational and educational services. House Bill 3131A requires the establishment and implementation of a program for continuous employment of health care professionals providing specified services.