House Bill 2102

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Modifies provisions related to athletic trainer registration.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to athletic trainers; amending ORS 688.718, 688.720 and 688.730.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - **SECTION 1.** ORS 688.718 is amended to read:

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- 688.718. (1) A person may not practice athletic training or claim to be a registered athletic trainer unless the person is registered under ORS 688.720.
 - (2) Nothing in ORS 688.701 to 688.734 is intended to:
 - (a) Limit, preclude or otherwise interfere with the practices of health care providers or other persons licensed or registered in this state under any other statutes, or prevent health care providers or other persons from engaging in the profession or occupation for which the health care provider or person is licensed or registered;
 - (b) Prevent any person from [practicing] **performing** athletic training **services** if the person is employed as an athletic trainer by the federal government or any of its agencies;
 - (c) Prohibit a person from performing athletic training services if:
 - (A) The person accompanies a sports team from another state, a territory of the United States or a foreign country;
 - (B) The team is in this state for purposes related to competition or training; and
 - (C) The person performs athletic training services only on members of the team and the services are performed for no more than 60 days in a calendar year;
 - [(c)] (d) Preclude any person from pursuing a supervised course of study leading to a degree or registration as an athletic trainer in an accredited or approved educational program if the person is identified by a title that clearly indicates student or trainee status;
 - [(d)] (e) Prevent any person from completing any supervised practical experience requirements established by the Board of Athletic Trainers by rule; or
 - [(e)] (f) Prohibit any person from performing athletic training services in this state for purposes of continuing education, consulting or training if the services are performed for no more than 60 days in any calendar year and are performed in association with a registered athletic trainer if the person is:
 - (A) Registered or licensed and in good standing as an athletic trainer in another state; or
 - (B) Certified [by and in good standing] as an athletic trainer [with the National Athletic Trainers Association] by, and in good standing with, the national Board of Certification.

- (3) Nothing in ORS 688.701 to 688.734 shall be construed to require registration of [elementary or secondary school teachers, coaches or volunteers who do not hold themselves out to the public to be athletic trainers] an elementary or secondary school teacher, coach or volunteer who:
 - (a) Does not purport to be an athletic trainer; and

- (b) Is acting within the scope of the person's duties as a teacher, coach or volunteer.
- **SECTION 2.** ORS 688.720, as amended by section 19, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
- 688.720. (1) The [Board of Athletic Trainers] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** shall issue a registration as an athletic trainer under ORS 688.701 to 688.734 to an applicant who has:
 - [(1)] (a) Provided to the Board of Athletic Trainers adequate proof of:
- [(a)] (A) Receipt of a bachelor's degree from an accredited four-year college or university and [has] having met the minimum athletic training curriculum requirements established by the board [and adopted] by rule; or
- [(b)] (B) Military experience or training that the board determines is substantially equivalent to the education required by [paragraph (a) of this subsection] subparagraph (A) of this paragraph;
- [(2)] (b) Successfully completed the certification examination administered by the [National Athletic Trainers Association] national Board of Certification, or an equivalent examination approved [or recognized] by the Board of Athletic Trainers;
- [(3)] (c) Completed any other requirements for registration as determined by the board [of Athletic Trainers and adopted] by rule;
- [(4)] (d) Submitted to the board [of Athletic Trainers] adequate documentation that the applicant is at least 18 years of age; and
 - [(5)] (e) Paid all fees required for registration.
- (2) The agency shall issue a registration under this section to an applicant who has not successfully completed an examination under subsection (1) of this section if the applicant:
- (a) Furnishes documentation that demonstrates that the applicant meets the education, experience or training requirements described in subsection (1)(a) of this section; and
- (b) Is registered as an athletic trainer in another state or by a national association and the board determines that the registration requirements of the other state or the association are substantially equivalent to the registration requirements described in subsection (1)(c) of this section.

SECTION 3. ORS 688.730 is amended to read:

- 688.730. (1) A person who is a registered athletic trainer under ORS 688.701 to 688.734 may use the title "Athletic Trainer, Registered" and the abbreviation "ATR."
- (2) A person who is a registered athletic trainer under ORS 688.701 to 688.734 and who is certified [by the National Athletic Trainers Association] as an athletic trainer by, and in good standing with, the national Board of Certification may use the title "Athletic Trainer, Certified/Registered" and the abbreviation ["ATC/R."] "ATC."