

SB 5545

Board of Nursing – fee bill

During the interim, the Oregon Board of Nursing established fees related to the awarding of Prescriptive Privileges for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists as authorized by SB 136 (from the 2013 session). The fees established are \$75 for initial application, \$50 for renewal, and \$50 for the prescription monitoring program.

The Board also increased the late renewal fee for registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, nurse practitioners, certified registered nurse anesthetists, and clinical nurse specialists from \$12 to \$100 in lieu of pursuing civil penalties of \$50 per day for up to 60 days for practicing without a license.

Both of these administrative actions taken by the Board were subsequently approved by the Department of Administrative Services in accordance with the process outlined in statute. These fees established by administrative rule must be authorized by enabling legislation to prevent the fees from automatically being rescinded upon adjournment of the current legislative session. SB 5545 provides this authorization.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 5545 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.