

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/20/15

Action: Without Recommendation As To Passage, With Amendments, Be Printed Engrossed And Be Referred To Ways And Means By Prior Reference.

Meeting Dates: 02/25, 04/20

Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Clem, Greenlick, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Nosse

Nays: 4 - Buehler, Hayden, Kennemer, Weidner

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Specifies that interagency agreement between Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Health and Science University for psychiatric contracts for patients of the Oregon State Hospital may not provide treatment for patients of the hospital in the excess of 25 percent of the total number of physicians providing treatment. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Contract physicians versus staff physicians
- Staffing and safety concerns
- Full-time employees and rotation schedules
- Staff overtime concerns
- Float positions

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Replaces original measure.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon State Hospital (OSH) is the state's primary state-run psychiatric facility for adults. The mission of OSH is to provide therapeutic, evidence-based, patient-centered treatment focusing on recovery and community reintegration in a safe environment. OSH delivers inpatient psychiatric and medical care to patients through Forensic Psychiatric Services for patients who are judged guilty except for insanity and Psychiatric Recovery Services for civilly committed patients.