

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/27/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 04/27

Vote:

Yeas: 4 - Kruse, Monnes Anderson, Shields, Steiner Hayward

Exc: 1 - Knopp

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Changes the name of the Board of Body Art Practitioners to the Board of Electrologists and Body Art Practitioners.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Electrologists do not apply art to the skin
- Board's name does not encompass or represent the work of electrologists
- Public ability to understand that electrologists are a regulated profession

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Board of Body Art Practitioners (BAP) consists of seven members: two licensed to perform body piercing, dermal implanting or scarification; two licensed to perform tattooing; one licensed to perform electrolysis; one public member and one health care provider who is a licensed physician, physician assistant, podiatrist, osteopathic physician, naturopathic physician, nurse or nurse practitioner. BAP is housed in the Health Licensing Office, which is a state consumer and public protection agency that oversees multiple health-related professions. The present Board was originally called the Advisory Council for Electrologists. The Council's name was changed four years ago to the present BAP; however electrologists assert that the profession should be listed in the Board title, as their profession is different from Body Art Practitioners.