

**78th Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2016 Regular Session**  
**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**  
**House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness**

**MEASURE: SB 1524 A**  
**CARRIER: Rep. Huffman**

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact  
**Revenue:** Has minimal revenue impact

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**Action Date:** 02/23/16

**Action:** Do Pass The A-Eng Bill.

**Meeting Dates:** 02/23

**Vote:**

Yeas: 5 - Boone, Esquivel, Huffman, Lively, Piluso

Nays: 1 - Parrish

Exc: 1 - Evans

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Exempts eligible veterans from annual medical examination requirement applicable to medical marijuana cardholders who are assigned a total and permanent disability rating due to a service-connected disability (unable to secure or follow substantially gainful occupation) or determined to be 100 percent permanently disabled as result of injury or illness incurred or aggravated during active military service.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Thoroughness and frequency of disabled veterans' contacts with their medical providers
- Language drafted with the assistance of Oregon Health Authority and Department of Veterans' Affairs

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Persons with medical marijuana cards are currently required to see a physician annually to maintain their eligibility. House Bill 1524A creates an exception for 100 percent, permanently disabled veterans.