

SB 831 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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Meeting Dates: 3/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows licensed osteopathic and podiatric physicians to supervise physician assistants. Takes effect, January 1 2018.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon (OPSO) states that doctors of osteopathic medicine (DOs) apply the philosophy of treating the whole person to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of illness, disease and injury. The Oregon Podiatric Medical Association (OPMA) states that doctors of podiatric medicine specialize in the medical and surgical treatment of foot and ankle related conditions. Senate Bill 831 allows doctors of osteopathic and podiatric medicine to supervise physician treatments in Oregon.