

**SB 223 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Human Services**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules requiring in-home caregivers employed by or contracting with in-home care agencies to meet training requirements for home care workers established by Home Care Commission.

*FISCAL: May Have Fiscal Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued*

*REVENUE: May Have Revenue Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-1 Requires Home Care Commission to establish qualifications and training requirements for in-home care workers that are as rigorous as requirements for licensing in-home care agencies.

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**BACKGROUND:**

Oregon law requires in-home care agencies to be licensed by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Statutes also require the Home Care Commission (OHCC) to establish qualifications and training requirements for in-home care workers. OHCC operates as a division within the Department of Human Services and has promulgated rules for minimum qualifications, orientation, and training standards for home care workers. It also maintains a public registry of qualified in-home caregivers.

Senate Bill 223 directs OHA to adopt rules requiring in-home caregivers who are employees or contractors of an in-home care agency to meet training requirements established by OHCC.