SB 60 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Measure requires the chair of the Oregon Medical Board (OMB) to select at least one but no more than three former board members to serve as emeritus board members on the 13-member Board.

REVENUE: No revenue impact. FISCAL: No fiscal impact.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Medical Board is a 13-member board composed of physicians, a physician assistant and two members of the public. The Board sets qualifications for licensure, grants licenses to individuals who meet those requirements, investigates complaints and disciplines licensees who violate state law (the Medical Practice Act). Current Oregon law (ORS 677.235) specifies the membership requirements for the Board. Senate Bill 60 creates a new requirement that former board members serve as emeritus members, subject to approval by the Governor.