

SB 130 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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Meeting Dates: 2/14, 2/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Provides free medical marijuana registry identification cards for veterans with disability ratings of 50 percent or more from active duty, for those discharged under other than dishonorable conditions.

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

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

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of measure
- Absence of input from health care and social services communities

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) administers the Oregon Medical Marijuana Program pursuant to voter approval of Ballot Measure 67 in 1998. Medical cardholders, caregivers, growers and dispensaries participate in registration system and OHA collects fees to cover the costs of administration. The standard annual cardholder fee is \$200, but for low-income and disabled persons, the fees are reduced to between \$20 and \$60. In 2014, the Legislature passed House Bill 2014, reducing the fee for all veterans, regardless of whether they were disabled or low income, to \$20.

Senate Bill 130 provides free medical marijuana cards for eligible veterans with disability ratings of 50 percent or more.