

HB 2123 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Malstrom

House Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 02/01/17

Action: Do Pass.

Vote: 9-0-0-0

Yeas: 9 - Alonso Leon, Buehler, Greenlick, Hack, Hayden, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Malstrom, Nosse

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies the number of voting members of the Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board that can serve on an ad hoc committee established by the Board.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current restrictions on creating subcommittees
- Possible quorum issues
- Advantages to creating subcommittees and workgroups

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon State Hospital (OSH) provides patient-centered, psychiatric treatment for adults from throughout the state who need hospital-level care. The hospital's primary goal is to help people recover from their illness and return to the community. Services include psychiatric evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment, as well as community outreach and peer support.

The 16-member Oregon State Hospital Advisory Board was created by Senate Bill 25 (2009), and is comprised of two nonvoting legislative members, three voting members that represent advocates for or that provide representation to individuals with mental illness, three voting members that are health care professionals, two voting members who are or have been consumers of mental illness services, one voting member who is a family advocate for consumers of mental illness services, two voting members from the general public, and three nonvoting members who are members of a public employee bargaining unit and employed at OSH.