

SB 760 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Gelser

Senate Committee On Human Services

Action Date: 03/06/17
Action: Do pass.
Vote: 4-0-1-0
Yeas: 4 - Dembrow, Gelser, Knopp, Olsen
Exc: 1 - Monnes Anderson
Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires that public or private officials report suspected abuse of long term care facilities' residents or certain adults with developmental disability or mental illness after *any* contact with suspected abused person or abuser, not only contact made while official was acting in official capacity.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Effect of measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon law makes certain public and private officials mandatory reporters of suspected abuse of long term care facilities' residents and developmentally disabled or mentally ill adults. The reporting requirement is triggered when the mandatory reporter comes into contact with the suspected abused person or abuser in the reporter's official capacity.

Senate Bill 760 removes the requirement that the contact must be while the mandatory reporter is acting in their official capacity. The measure requires that *any* contact between the mandatory reporter and the suspected abused person or abuser prompts a mandatory abuse report to the Department of Human Services.