

HB 2931 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 04/07/17

Action: Do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Vote: 7-0-2-0

Yeas: 7 - Alonso Leon, Buehler, Greenlick, Hayden, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Nosse

Exc: 2 - Hack, Malstrom

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Clarifies educational requirements for registration of behavior analysis interventionists.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Behavior analysis interventionists therapy services
- Current registration and educational requirements
- Clarifies that a post-secondary degree is an acceptable substitute for a high school diploma

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Behavior Analysis Regulatory Board oversees the licensing of behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts, and the registration of behavior analysis interventionists. Applied behavior analysis is a therapeutic modality that is often used to treat people with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Behavior analysis interventionists are paraprofessionals that provide applied behavior analysis (ABA) therapy services under the supervision of licensed behavior analysts, licensed assistant behavior analysts or their licensed health care professionals whose scope of practice includes ABA. They are registered and regulated by the Health Licensing Office, Oregon Health Authority.