

HB 3363 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Noble

House Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 04/07/17

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

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:

Changes term osteopath to osteopathic physician. Clarifies that doctors of osteopathic medicine practice medicine as physicians and references to current definitions.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure
- Proposed amendment

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

References Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and practice to current definitions (ORS 677.100-677.228).

BACKGROUND:

Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine, or DOs, are licensed physicians who practice in all areas of medicine. Osteopathic physicians focus on prevention, tuning into how a patient's lifestyle and environment can impact their well-being.

The mission of the Oregon Medical Board (Board) is to protect the health, safety and well-being of Oregon citizens by regulating the practice of medicine in a manner that promotes access to quality care. The Board licenses the following health care providers: Medical Doctors (MD); Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine (DO); Podiatric Physicians (DPM); Physician Assistants (PA); and Acupuncturists (LAc). In addition to its licensing functions, the Board conducts investigations, imposes disciplinary action, and supports rehabilitation, education and research to further its legislative mandate to protect the citizens of Oregon. The Oregon Medical Board is also responsible for establishing the scope of practice for Emergency Medical Services Providers.