

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 4129 - B

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Measure Description:

Directs Health Licensing Office to issue residential care facility administrator license to qualified applicant.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

¹ Summary of Expenditure Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

	2017-19 Biennium	2019-21 Biennium
Personal Services	\$62,275	\$404,766
Services & Supplies	34,152	112,131
Total Other Funds	\$96,427	\$516,897
Positions	2	3
FTE	0.50	3.00

² Summary of Revenue Impact:

	2017-19 Biennium	2019-21 Biennium
Fees	\$161,000	\$182,000
Total Other Funds	\$161,000	\$182,000

Note that the revenue impact amounts are projections. Funding for this new program will be derived from fees to be paid by licensees. Such fees will be set via rulemaking and are yet to be determined

Analysis:

HB 4129 renames the Nursing Home Administrator Board under the Health Licensing Office (HLO) housed in the Oregon Health Authority to the Long Term Care Administrators Board. The bill changes the makeup of the board’s membership to, among other changes, include residential care administrators.

The bill authorizes HLO to add a new license category, residential care facility administrator, to the existing Nursing Home Administrators Board/ Long Term Care Administrator Board. The bill specifies qualifications for the license. The bill directs HLO to adopt rules to: establish continuing education requirements, and approve training and continuing education requirements. The bill requires the Long Term Care Administrators Board to adopt rules to determine the subjects, scope, and content of examinations for licensure.

The bill directs OHA to adopt rules to allow a residential care facility to be operated by an individual who is not licensed under provisions governing licensed nursing home administrators, in transitional and emergency situations, and includes certain licensing requirements in statute rather than being set by rule.

¹The Health Licensing Office estimates the fiscal impact of this bill to be \$96,427 Other Funds for the 2017-19 biennium. This amount reflects staffing and related services and supplies for the new licensure program. HLO estimates between 500-700 new licensees. To carry the work of restructuring the current board and recruiting new members; rulemaking; creating and administering exams; addressing increased on-going complaints and

investigations; developing new forms, databases and web content; and increased customer service activity, HLO anticipates establishing the following positions:

- Administrative Specialist 1 - January 1, 2019 start date.
- Administrative Specialist 2 - January 1, 2019 start date.
- Compliance Specialist 2 - July 1, 2019 start date.

²The bill allows the HLO to charge fees to recover costs. Although fees will be established through rulemaking and the actual fees are yet to be determined, assuming an estimated 700 individuals will seek licensure, HLO projects establishing the following fees for licensed residential care facility administrators:

- (1) Application – New License = \$100;
- (2) License Renewal = \$130 (valid for one year).

The two new positions for the 2017-19 biennium will be established as part of HB 5201, the budget reconciliation bill.