

## SB 60 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### Senate Committee On Health Care

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Changes registration for volunteer healthcare professionals claiming liability limitation from annual to biennial requirement. Adds acupuncturists to licensees eligible to register for liability limitation exemption. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.*

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.*

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Certain health care practitioners that provide services without compensation may be eligible to register with the Oregon Medical Board (OMB) for a program that limits the practitioner's liability for injury, death, or other loss. In addition to registration with the OMB, limitation of liability requires informed consent and a signed notification by the patient or the patient's authorized representative. The liability limitation program is currently available to:

- Physicians
- Nurses
- Nurse practitioners
- Clinical nurse specialists
- Physician assistants
- Dental hygienists
- Dentist
- Pharmacists
- Optometrists
- Naturopathic physicians

Senate Bill 60 changes registration for the liability limitation program from an annual to a biennial requirement and adds acupuncturists to the licensees eligible to register for the program.