

SB 61 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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Meeting Dates: 1/23, 1/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases membership of the Oregon Medical Board (OMB) by one public member who represent health care consumers. 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:

- Proportion of public member representation on OMB in comparison to similar boards
- Consolidation of public member qualification provisions

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The mission of the Oregon Medical Board is to protect the health, safety, and wellbeing of Oregon citizens by regulating the practice of medicine in a manner that promotes access to quality care. The OMB licenses Medical Doctors (MDs), Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine (DOs), Doctors of Podiatric Medicine (DPMs), Physician Assistants (PAs), and Acupuncturists (LAc).

Senate Bill 61 increases public member representation on the OMB from two to three.