SB 128 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Board of Medical Imaging (OMBI) to issue permit to supervise fluoroscopy to qualified advanced practice registered nurse (APRN). Defines "supervise fluoroscopy." Establishes permit issuance and renewal qualifications. Authorizes OBMI, Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN), and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to adopt rules. 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:

- Nurse practitioner and CRNA use of fluoroscopy
- Training in use of fluoroscopy
- Impact on access to services, including in rural areas
- Rulemaking process

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Allows advanced practice registered nurse to supervise fluoroscopy as part of an educational plan or program. Requires fluoroscopic X-ray equipment to be operate by a medical licensee who specializes in radiography. Requires rules to establish a waiver process through which an advanced practice registered nurse can submit documentation demonstrating sufficient experience or education to exempt nurse from clinical or educational requirements adopted by OMBI.

BACKGROUND:

Fluoroscopy is a study of moving body structures that shows a continuous X-ray image on a monitor, like an X-ray "movie." In 2015, the Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 2880 which directed the Oregon Board of Medical Imaging (OMBI) to issue certificates to practice fluoroscopy to qualified physician assistants (PAs). The ability of PAs to practice fluoroscopy currently requires a practice agreement between the PA and a supervising physician.

Senate Bill 128 directs OMBI to issue permits to supervise fluoroscopy to qualified advanced practice registered nurse.