

SB 128 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Knopp

Senate Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 03/11/19

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

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Fagan, Knopp, Linthicum, Monnes Anderson

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

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

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

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

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Allows advanced practice registered nurse to supervise fluoroscopy as part of an educational plan or program. Requires fluoroscopic X-ray equipment to be operated 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 OBMI.

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 (OBMI) 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-A directs the Oregon Board of Medical Imaging to issue permits to supervise fluoroscopy to qualified advanced practice registered nurses.