

**HB 2092 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Sen. Knopp

**Senate Committee On Health Care**

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**Action Date:** 04/10/19

**Action:** Do pass.

**Vote:** 4-0-1-0

**Yeas:** 4 - Beyer, Fagan, Knopp, Monnes Anderson

**Exc:** 1 - Linthicum

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/10

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Renames the Physical Therapist Licensing Board to Oregon Board of Physical Therapy.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Board regulation of two practitioners: physical therapists and physical therapist assistants
- Board's statutory mission to not only regulate licensing, but also to regulate scope of practice, continuing education, and discipline

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Physical Therapist Licensing Board was created in 1971 to regulate the practice of physical therapy in Oregon. The Board's purpose is public protection and to establish professional standards of practice which assure that physical therapists and physical therapist assistants are properly educated, hold valid/current licenses, practice within their scope of practice, and continue to receive ongoing training throughout their careers. The Board is comprised of eight volunteer members: five physical therapists, one physical therapist assistant, and two public members. The Board currently oversees approximately 1,700 licensees.

House Bill 2092 renames the Physical Therapist Licensing Board to the Oregon Board of Physical Therapy.