

SB 1569 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On General Government and Emergency Preparedness

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Creates nine-member Board of Towing (the Board) within the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) appointed by the Governor. Specifies composition, operational details, and investigative and enforcement powers and duties, including the authority to administer oaths, issue subpoenas for persons or documents; deny, suspend or revoke a towing business certificates; and initiate suit, seek injunction, and impose civil penalties not to exceed \$25,000 per violation. Provides for position of administrative officer and other employees. Authorizes rulemaking. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

[-1 amendment dated February 4, 2020] Provides for contested case hearings. Adjusts flow of funds: making ODOT pass-through; authorizing collection of fees; and removing language directing deposit of civil penalties imposed. Replaces Board "request" or "direction" with Board "order."

Fiscal impact.

No revenue impact.

BACKGROUND: