

**HB 2135 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Smith DB

**House Committee On Education**

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**Action Date:** 04/01/21

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Vote:** 10-0-0-0

**Yeas:** 10 - Alonso Leon, Hudson, Neron, Owens, Reardon, Ruiz, Smith DB, Sollman, Weber, Wright

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/30, 4/1

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Prohibits Teacher Standards and Practices Commission from issuing license to individuals convicted of domestic violence crimes. Extends suspension period from one year or less to three years or less. Establishes minimum revocation period for licenses and registrations of one to three years. Establishes that there is no maximum period for license revocation.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Forever crimes list
- Issuance of licenses
- Individual convicted of domestic violence - ability to retain license

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) is Oregon's licensing agency for all educators. The TSPC was established in 1965 to maintain and improve performance in the education profession by approving teacher preparation programs offered by Oregon colleges and universities by licensing teachers, administrators, and other personnel employed in Oregon schools and by taking disciplinary actions when educators commit crimes or violate Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance.

House Bill 2135 adds domestic violence crimes to the list of crimes that disqualify an individual from obtaining a teaching or administrative license.