

HB 5201 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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Meeting Dates: 2/28, 2/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

HB 5201 is the fee ratification bill for the Department of Agriculture, Oregon Health Authority, and Oregon Board of Nursing.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- The timing of fee increases for professions governed by the Board of Cosmetology with respect to the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on this industry
- The typical length of time between fee increases and difficulty fee-funded programs have mitigating inflationary increases without routine fee increases.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Clarifies the number of years for Genetic Counseling late renewal fees; removes the temporary license fee for Respiratory Therapists; and adds fee changes adopted by the Board of Cosmetology.

BACKGROUND:

The measure provides the enabling legislation to approve fees adopted by these agencies through Administrative Rule and approved by the Department of Administrative Services during the interim legislative period preceding the February 2022 legislative session. ORS 291.055 requires all new state agency fees or fee increases be adopted between regular sessions of the Legislative Assembly. Fee adjustments of this nature that are not ratified are rescinded upon adjournment of the next regular session.