

HB 2420 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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Meeting Dates: 3/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules allowing county registrar to issue and sell records of live births and deaths occurring in any county of state.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon law requires all vital events such as birth, marriage, divorce, and death to be permanently recorded and registered. Oregon's vital records office, known as the Center for Health Statistics (CHS) is responsible for issuing certified copies of vital records. The CHS is housed in the Public Health Division of the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Current law requires OHA to adopt rules allowing county registrars to issue and sell certified copies of records of live birth or deaths occurring in the county within the last six months.

House Bill 2420 would require the Oregon Health Authority to expand its rules to allow county registrars to issue and sell records of live births and deaths occurring in any county of state.