

HB 3412 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Business and Labor

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes physician assistants to provide compensable medical services and authorize payment of temporary disability benefits under same rules as nurse practitioners for workers' compensation claims.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Workers' Compensation Division (Division) is a part of the Department of Consumer and Business Services (Department). The Division administers Oregon's workers' compensation system. Additionally, the Workers' Compensation Management Labor Advisory Committee (MLAC) reviews key components of the workers' compensation system, such as advising the Department about any proposed changes to the Workers' Benefit Fund. The Workers' Benefit Fund provides benefits for a number of programs, such as return-to-work programs.