#### FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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## **Measure Description:**

Permits Oregon Board of Dentistry to require one written examination for applicants for certification as dental assistant but prohibits the Oregon Board of Dentistry from requiring a written examination more than once.

### **Government Unit(s) Affected:**

**Board of Dentistry** 

# **Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

Costs related to the measure are expected to be minimal - see analysis.

#### **Analysis:**

HB 3223-A4 replaces the introduced measure. The measure permits the Oregon Board of Dentistry (OBD) to require written examination as certification for all types of dental assistants and stipulates conditions for their use. The measure prohibits OBD from requiring the written examination as certification for all types of dental assistants more than once. Provisions of the measure apply to all applications for certification submitted on or after January 1, 2024. OBD is granted the authority to take any steps necessary to implement the measure as of the operative date. The remainder of the measure is effective on the 91st day following sine die.

OBD anticipates the fiscal impact of the measure to be \$20,000 Other Funds for the 2023-25 biennium. OBD reports that the measure will require at least four additional board meetings to implement the work if the measure becomes law. The total cost of the measure includes \$8,000 Other Funds for board member per diem, \$7,000 Other Funds for the additional workload that would be consumed by overtime eligible staff, and \$5,000 Other Funds for Attorney General fees for consultation and guidance on rulemaking.

The Board of Dentistry has indicated these costs can be absorbed within current resources.

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