Senate Bill 559

Sponsored by Senator GELSER BLOUIN, Senator STEINER, Representative GOMBERG (at the request of Secretary of State Shemia Fagan) (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires veterinarians to participate in prescription drug monitoring program. Directs Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board to provide Oregon Health Authority with information of individuals licensed by board authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances for purposes of qualifying individuals to report information to and receive information from program.

Adds practicing veterinarian as member of Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Commission. Reduces number of public members on commission from two members to one member.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the prescription drug monitoring program; amending ORS 431A.880 and 431A.890.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 431A.880 is amended to read:

431A.880. (1) As used in this section, “board” means:

(a) The Oregon Medical Board;
(b) The Oregon Board of Dentistry;
(c) The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
(d) The Oregon State Board of Nursing;
(e) The Oregon Board of Optometry; [and]
(f) The State Board of Pharmacy; and

(g) The Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board.

(2)(a) At the time of issuing or renewing a license, a board shall provide the Oregon Health Authority with the licensing information of each person licensed by the board who is authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances. The authority shall use the licensing information to qualify the licensee to report information to, or receive information from, the prescription monitoring program established under ORS 431A.855.

(b) A board by rule may adopt exceptions to the requirement described in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

(3)(a) In addition to other licensing fees imposed by a board on licensees, a board shall adopt rules imposing a fee of $35 per year on each person licensed by the board who is authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances. A board shall collect the fee at the same time the board collects other licensing fees imposed on licensees.

(b) A board shall retain 10 percent of the fees collected under paragraph (a) of this subsection to cover the costs of administering this section.

(c) On the first day of each calendar quarter, a board shall transmit 90 percent of the fees collected under paragraph (a) of this subsection during the preceding calendar quarter to the Oregon Health Authority Fund established in ORS 413.101. Moneys deposited in the fund under this para-

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graph may be used only for the purpose of carrying out ORS 431A.855 to 431A.900.

(4) A board may adopt rules necessary for the administration of this section.

SECTION 2. ORS 431A.890 is amended to read:

431A.890. (1) The Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Commission is created for the purposes of:

(a) Studying issues related to the prescription monitoring program established under ORS 431A.855;

(b) Reviewing the program’s annual report and making recommendations to the Oregon Health Authority regarding the operation of the program; and

(c) Developing criteria used to evaluate program data.

(2) The commission shall consist of [II] members appointed by the authority as follows:

(a) A person nominated by the Pain Management Commission;

(b) A person who dispenses controlled substances nominated by an association representing pharmacists;

(c) A practicing dentist nominated by an association representing dentists;

(d) A practicing doctor of medicine nominated by an association representing doctors of medicine;

(e) A practicing doctor of osteopathic medicine nominated by an association representing osteopathic physicians and surgeons;

(f) A nurse authorized to prescribe controlled substances nominated by an association representing nurses;

(g) A practicing naturopathic physician nominated by an association representing naturopathic physicians;

(h) A practicing optometrist, nominated by an association representing optometrists;

(i) A practicing veterinarian, nominated by an association representing veterinarians;

(ii) (j) A representative of the authority with expertise in administering addiction services; and

(jj) [(k) [Two members] One member of the public, one of whom must be] who is an expert in information technology.