2009 Regular Legislative Session
FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION
Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 5528 **STATUS:** Original
SUBJECT: Equalizes licensing fees for in-state and out-of-state Occupational Therapists and Occupational Therapist Assistant.
GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Occupational Therapy Licensing Board
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	2009-2011	2011-2013
REVENUES:		
Occupational Therapist	$ -2,800	$ -2,800
Occupational Therapist Assistant	$ -260	$ -260
	$ -3,060	$ -3,060

EFFECTIVE DATE: This bill includes an emergency clause and is effective July 1, 2009

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

ANALYSIS: SB 5528 ratifies application fees that were changed by administrative rule in January, 2007. The purpose of these fee changes is to make the application fee uniform regardless of the residency of the applicant. This change was made because most applicants are from out-of-state, since there is only one Occupational Therapy school in Oregon.

The changes are shown on the table below.

Occupational Therapy Licensing Board Fee Change					
	Old Fee	New Fee	Fee Change	# of Applicants	Net Change
Occupational Therapist					
In State	$ 80	$ 100	$ 20	30	$ 600
Out of State	$ 120	$ 100	$ (20)	170	$ (3,400)
Fee Change					$ (2,800)
Occupational Therapist Assistant					
In State	$ 60	$ 70	$ 10	2	$ 20
Out of State	$ 80	$ 70	$ (10)	28	$ (280)
Fee Change					$ (260)
Total Fee Change					$ (3,060)

The Board has an ending balance of almost one biennium of operating cost, and reduced fees in the 2008 license renewal cycle.