77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Business and Transportation

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	5 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Edwards, Girod, Starr, Thomsen, Beyer
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Monroe
Prepared By:	Patrick Brennan, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	4/22

REVENUE: No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Expands membership of Alcohol Server Education Advisory Committee to include two educators and two representatives of alcohol server education providers.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of alcohol server education in Oregon •
- Advisory Committee meets quarterly •
- Positions are voluntary
- Transition to online course offerings

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Oregon became the first state to establish a mandatory alcohol server education training program for employees of businesses holding liquor licenses that serve alcohol for consumption by the drink. Server education courses focus on Oregon alcohol laws and emphasize the importance of identifying minors through checking identification, refusing service to minors, recognizing signs of visible intoxication, and halting service to intoxicated individuals. There are currently 20 states with required alcohol server education, with another 18 states offering such training on a voluntary basis.

The Alcohol Server Education Advisory Committee, also established in 1985, advises the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) on development of standards, curriculum and materials for server education courses. The 12member advisory committee includes stakeholders in the industry, law enforcement, district attorneys, the Oregon Health Authority, the Oregon Department of Transportation, service permit holders, insurance companies and nonprofit organizations dedicated to reducing driving under the influence of intoxicants.

House Bill 2057 expands the membership of the Alcohol Server Education Advisory Committee to include categories for individuals with specific educational backgrounds. The measure requires the advisory committee to include one person with general expertise in education, one with expertise in health education, one representing classroom alcohol server education providers, and one representing online alcohol server education providers.