PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Health Care

 REVENUE: No revenue impact

 FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

 Action:
 Vote:

 Yeas:
 Nays:

 Exc.:
 Zena Rockowitz, Administrator

 Meeting Dates:
 2/9, 3/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Specifies that an entity doing business as a tanning facility must register each tanning device that is accessible by an individual who is afforded its use as a condition, benefit, or as part of membership in exchange for a fee or other compensation with the Oregon Health Authority. Increases annual registration fee not to exceed \$150 per tanning device. Increases biennial registration fees for institution X-ray machines: \$285 for hospital, \$145 for hospital when inspection of X-ray machine is performed, \$190 for industrial or podiatry, \$140 for dental, academic, or veterinary, and \$140 for microwave oven repair facility. Increase annual license fees not to exceed \$5,000 for a specific license: by-product materials, source materials, or special nuclear materials and their devices. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Smaller facilities with MRI and ability to absorb cost
- Input from impacted entities
- Fee increase would help to sustain services without adding staff
- Last fee increase was 15 years ago

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Radiation Protection Services (RPS) is a program of the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) which promotes health and safety to protect people from unnecessary exposure to radiation such as X-ray equipment, radioactive materials, and tanning beds which are linked to skin cancers. Specific licenses are required for persons who use radioactive material in hospitals, universities, and industry for individual materials, or for types of facilities. There is a \$3,000 maximum annual license fee for a specific license.

The current biennial registration fees are \$228 for a hospital, radiological, chiropractic, osteopathic, or medical X-ray machine; \$116 for a hospital X-ray machine when X-ray machine is inspected by an accredited inspector, \$152 for an industrial or podiatry X-ray machine, \$112 for a dental, academic or veterinary X-ray machine, and \$112 for a microwave oven repair facility.