

HB 2220 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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Meeting Dates: 4/17

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes dentists to prescribe and administer vaccines. Directs the Oregon Board of Dentistry to approve a training course on the prescription and administration of vaccines. Directs Board to adopt rules related to the prescription and administration of vaccines, including rules requiring dentists to comply with protocols and rules adopted by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and coordinating with OHA's immunization registry. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The first Act regulating the practice of dentistry in Oregon was adopted by the Legislative Assembly on February 23, 1887, declaring the Oregon Board of Dentistry responsible for licensure of dental professionals. States permit different health professionals to administer vaccines including medical assistants; midwives; nurses in advanced practice and registered, practical, and vocational nurses; physician assistants; and pharmacists.

House Bill 2220-A allows licensed dentists to voluntarily provide vaccines in Oregon.

HHC Vote: 10-0

House Floor Vote: 58-0