

HB 2638 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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Meeting Dates: 4/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands and modifies membership of the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (Commission). Removes reference to minimum number of Governor's appointees to Commission. Requires at least 75 percent of members of Commission to represent public health and health care stakeholder groups. Requires up to 25 percent of members of Commission to represent public safety. Authorizes Commission director to recommend replacement of member of Commission if member is absent from more than two consecutive scheduled meetings. Modifies the definition of alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment program in Oregon by adding "tribal".

REVENUE: No revenue impact.

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (Commission) was created by the Legislative Assembly in 2009. It was charged with planning to fund and deliver effective drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services. The Commission has varied in size over time, with 20 commissioners as of 2019. Senate Bill 951 (2015) simplified the Commission's objectives and sought to resolve long-standing quorum issues. In 2018, the Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 4137 to require the Commission to develop preliminary recommendations for the scope and framework of its comprehensive addiction, prevention, treatment, and recovery plan to be completed by July 1, 2020. The measure also directed the Commission to review and update the comprehensive plan every two years, and required the Governor to appoint a director and to establish the director's functions and powers.

House Bill 2638 A modifies the composition of the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission.

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