

SB 39 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Dembrow

Senate Committee On Business and General Government

Action Date: 02/19/19

Action: Do pass.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Dembrow, Girod, Hass, Olsen, Riley

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 1/24, 2/19

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Replaces exemption for specified persons from laws regulating practice of engineers, land surveyors, and photogrammetrists with exemptions from registration requirement. Removes requirement for exempt employee or subordinate of registered professional engineer to not purport to be an engineer or registered professional engineer. Rearranges exemption provisions.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Agency need for changes to ensure clarity and avoid unintended consequences

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon State Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying (OSBEELS) regulates the practices of engineering, land surveying, and photogrammetric mapping. An individual seeking to practice in any of those fields must obtain a license through OSBEELS. Current statute exempts specified people and practices from applicable laws regulating the practice, including registered architects acting within the scope of their profession and property owners performing land surveying on their own property. Senate Bill 39 replaces the exemption from all applicable statutes with an exemption from the licensing requirements for engineers, land surveyors, and photogrammetric mapping.