

**SB 248 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Business and General Government**

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**Action Date:** 04/02/19

**Action:** Without recommendation as to passage and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.

**Vote:** 4-0-1-0

**Yeas:** 4 - Dembrow, Girod, Hass, Riley

**Exc:** 1 - Olsen

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** Revenue impact issued

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/2

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Increases certain license, permit, and certificate fees assessed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. Establishes \$10 per day fee for temporary use of annual license. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Current license fees were established in 1949 and are some of the lowest in the nation
- Proposed fee increase would result in \$1.2 million in revenues to update systems and educate agents
- Benefits to stakeholders of two-year licenses, which updated systems will support

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission is responsible for regulating the sale and service of alcoholic beverages in Oregon by administering the Oregon Liquor Control Act. Businesses that sell, manufacture, import, or distribute alcohol in Oregon must obtain a license, and employees who serve alcohol must obtain a service permit. Current statute establishes fees that must be paid when seeking to obtain or renew a license, permit, or certificate administered by the agency.

Senate Bill 248 increases 15 existing license, permit, and certification fees, and establishes a \$10 per day fee for the temporary use of an annual license.