

SB 808 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 04/08/19

Action: Do pass and rescind subsequent referral to Ways and Means and requesting referral to Rules.

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Fagan, Knopp, Linthicum, Monnes Anderson

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/3, 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and specified boards to require licensees to complete continuing education related to suicide risk assessment, treatment, and management, and to report completion of continuing education to OHA or applicable board. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Prevalence of suicide in Oregon
- Risk factors for suicide
- Current availability of training resources
- Requirements in Washington

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

According to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), suicide is the second leading cause of death among Oregonians ages 10 to 24. Senate Bill 48 (2017) required specified health professional regulatory boards to adopt rules requiring licensees to report completion of any continuing education regarding suicide risk assessment, treatment, and management. The bill also required boards to report data on the completion of continuing education to OHA; OHA, in turn, is required to report to the Legislative Assembly by August 1 of each even-numbered year on the information submitted by the boards.

Senate Bill 808 replaces the rulemaking mandate of Senate Bill 48 (2017) with the requirement that OHA and specified boards require licensees to complete continuing education related to suicide risk assessment, treatment, and management and to report completion of continuing education to OHA or applicable board.