

SB 1526 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Describes and clarifies types of evidence Health Licensing Office may consider to determine if an applicant for residential care facility administrator license has earned high school or equivalent diploma. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Residential Care Facilities (RCFs) are shared or individual living units in a homelike surrounding where six or more seniors and adult individuals with disabilities can reside. An RCF offers and coordinates a range of supportive services available on a 24-hour basis to meet the activities of daily living, health, and social needs of the residents. Licensed residential and assisted living facilities must employ a full-time administrator, who are defined as individuals responsible for planning, organizing, and managing the operation of an RCF.

House Bill 4129 (2018) established a license for administrators of residential care facilities (RCFs). Applicants are qualified for the license if they are at least 21 years old, have earned a high school diploma or its equivalent, two-years demonstrated professional or management experience, or possess an accredited bachelor's degree in a health or related field (OAR 411-054-0065). By January 1, 2022, all administrators of RCHS must hold a license issued by the Oregon Health Authority's Health Licensing Office.

Senate Bill 1526 describes the evidence that the Health Licensing Office may consider to determine whether an applicant for a residential care facility administrator license meets required educational requirements.