

HB 2135 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Prohibits Teacher Standards and Practices Commission from issuing license to individuals convicted of domestic violence crimes. Extends suspension period from one year or less to three years or less. Establishes minimum revocation period for licenses and registrations of one to three years. Establishes that there is no maximum period for license revocation.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) is Oregon's licensing agency for all educators. The TSPC was established in 1965 to maintain and improve performance in the education profession by approving teacher preparation programs offered by Oregon colleges and universities by licensing teachers, administrators, and other personnel employed in Oregon schools and by taking disciplinary actions when educators commit crimes or violate Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance.

House Bill 2135 adds domestic violence crimes to the list of crimes that disqualify an individual from obtaining a teaching or administrative license.