

SB 98 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

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Meeting Dates: 4/29

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Authorizes Board of Medical Imaging (Board) to issue letter of reprimand or impose probation in disciplining licensee or permittee. Clarifies acts subject to discipline. Takes effect 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Senate Vote: *Passed. Ayes, 26; Nays, 4 (Boquist, Heard, Linthicum, Thomsen)*

REVENUE: *No revenue impact*

FISCAL: *Has minimal fiscal impact*

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Board of Medical Imaging (OBMI) licenses and regulates radiographers, radiation therapists, limited X-ray machine operators, nuclear medicine technologists, sonographers, MRI technologists, and Bone Densitometry. Currently, OBMI's disciplinary response options are limited to refusing to issue or renew licenses or suspending or revoking licenses.

Senate Bill 98 gives the Oregon Board of Medical Imaging additional disciplinary options and allows the Board to consider additional reasons a licensee or permittee may be unfit.