

HB 4101 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Schouten

House Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 02/11/22

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 7-2-1-0

Yeas: 7 - Alonso Leon, Campos, Dexter, Prusak, Salinas, Schouten, Weber

Nays: 2 - Hayden, Moore-Green

Exc: 1 - Noble

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/7, 2/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases distance from certain parts of public places and places of employment within which person may not smoke, aerosolize, or vaporize inhalant from 10 feet to 25 feet.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Evolution in science on secondhand smoke
- Indoor Clean Air Act enforcement policies and processes
- Potential safety impacts on compliance
- Potential impact on bars and restaurants, particularly late at night

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Exempts public place or place of employment that holds a license issued by the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission from 25 feet distance.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon's Indoor Clean Air Act (ICAA) aims to protect Oregonians from the harms of secondhand smoke. The ICAA creates smoke free public places and places of employment with the intent of protecting the health of employees and the public. The ICAA also prohibits smoking, vaporizing, and aerosolizing of inhalants within 10 feet of all entrances (including stairs), exits (including stairs), and accessibility ramps that lead to and from an entrance or exit, windows that open and air-intake vents.

House Bill 4101 A increases the distance smoking, aerosolizing, and vaporizing is prohibited from 10 to 25 feet, exempting places that hold an Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission license.