HB 2325 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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Meeting Dates: 1/19, 1/26

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Permits the Oregon State Bar Board of Governors to elect a non-attorney board member as its president or president-elect.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- ORS 9.025 determines membership makeup of Board of Governors
- Board has 15 attorney members and four public members
- Nomination and election process for Board President and President-elect

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon State Bar Board of Governors is comprised of attorney members and non-attorney members. The Board of Governors may currently only elect an attorney board member as its president or president-elect. The Board of Governors voted to expand eligibility for the position to include board members who are not attorneys.

House Bill 2325 would permit the Oregon State Bar Board of Governors to elect a non-attorney board member as the president or president-elect of the Board.