

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **HB 3300**

#### **Relating to the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Education Subcommittee  
Carrier: Senator Frederick

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HB 3300 is a fee authorization bill for the Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, which is part of the Mental Health Regulatory Agency.

The measure authorizes the board to issue a limited permit to practice as a licensed professional counselor or licensed marriage and family therapist to an individual who is licensed in another state with substantially equivalent requirements for licensure. The board may impose a nonrefundable limited permit fee on any practitioner who applies for the limited permit, which would be valid for up to 30 days in a 12-month period. The measure also removes the requirement that counselors and therapists licensed by the board renew their licenses annually, thus enabling the board to switch to biennial renewals. The measure takes effect 91 days after adjournment *sine die* and becomes operative on January 1, 2024.

The measure is anticipated to generate limited permit fee revenue of \$156,500 Other Funds in the 2023-25 biennium. This assumes a limited permit fee of \$100 per applicant, effective January 1, 2024. This fee revenue is anticipated in the board and the agency's 2023-25 legislatively adopted budget in Policy Option Package 102.

The Education Subcommittee recommends that HB 3300 be reported out do pass.