

HB 2817 B STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Bonham

Senate Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 05/08/23

Action: Do pass with amendments to the A-Eng bill. (Printed B-Eng.)

Vote: 3-0-2-1

Yeas: 3 - Campos, Patterson, President Wagner

Exc: 2 - Gorsek, Hayden

Abs: 1 - Bonham

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 5/1, 5/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Clarifies area of leg to which definition of “podiatry” applies to include treatment of skin, skin-related structures and subcutaneous masses, and wounds involving skin, skin-related structures and subcutaneous masses on the human leg no further proximal than the tibial tubercle. Defines “podiatric physician and surgeon” as a physician who is licensed to practice podiatry.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Defines “podiatric physician and surgeon.”

BACKGROUND:

Podiatric physicians (DPMs) are licensed to diagnose and perform medical, physical, or surgical treatments related strictly to ailments of the human foot, ankle, and tendons directly attached to and governing the function of the foot and ankle. According to the Oregon Medical Board, there are just over 200 licensed DPMs in Oregon.

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