

**SB 557 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Judiciary**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

The measure modifies the membership requirements for the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission by requiring that at least one member hold a marijuana producer, processor, wholesaler, or retailer license.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) consists of nine members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Existing membership requirements include specified geographic representation, and that one member must be from the food and alcoholic beverage retail industry. These were developed when the OLCC regulated the liquor industry as the Oregon Liquor and Control Commission, prior to marijuana legalization. OLCC was renamed the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission with House Bill 2111 (2021), to reflect the OLCC's regulation of the cannabis industry since the passage of Ballot Measure 91 in 2014. Senate Bill 557 would add cannabis industry representation on the Commission.