HB 3339 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure enacts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT) to allow psychologists licensed in other states to practice in Oregon without obtaining a license through the Oregon Board of Psychology.

Detailed Summary

- Establishes purpose and definitions for PSYPACT.
- Establishes circumstance allowing a psychologist licensed in a PSYPACT state to temporarily practice in another PSYPACT state.
- Specifies obligations of state's participation in PSYPACT.
- Specifies disciplinary processes for PSYPACT states.
- Requires state to submit specified date to PSYPACT coordinating database.
- Becomes operative on January 1, 2027.
- Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Interstate licensing compact establish formal, legal relationships between states that improve the portability of occupational licenses by lowering barriers for multi-state practice. Compacts establish uniform guidelines, standards, and procedures for regulatory agencies in compact member states. They are often overseen by interstate commissions, with member states typically appointing one or more delegates to the commission. According to The Counsil of State Governments (CSG), there are 15 health professions with available licensure compacts. Forty-nine states, including Oregon, have enacted at least one licensure compact.

House Bill 3339 enacts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT) in Oregon.