

SB 548 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

This measure raises the minimum legal marriage age to 18 and repeals ORS 106.060 which allows minors aged 17 to marry with parental or guardian consent.

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Minimal impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Consent of minors to enter into a marriage
- Discretion of officiant to officiate a marriage of a minor

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon law allows individuals aged 17 to marry with parental or guardian consent. Senate Bill 548 removes these exceptions, and provides 18 as the minimum legal age for marriage without exceptions. The measure updates marriage licensing requirements and related legal provisions to align with the new age requirement.