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To: Human Services Subcommittee
From: MaryMichelle Sosne, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 12, 2025
Subject: SB 476 – Relating to professional workforce
Work Session Recommendations

SB 476 requires professional licensing boards who interact with internationally educated individuals through their licensure, certification, or other authorization processes to receive culturally responsive training approved by the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement. The measure also grants the Oregon Medical Board (OMB) the authority to establish a provisional license for qualified and licensed internationally trained physicians. By February 1 of every odd-numbered year, OMB must report provisional license statistics to the Legislature.

There are two recommended amendments to the measure:

- The -A3 amendment removes the Internationally Educated Workforce Reentry Grant Program and the associated \$10 million General Fund appropriation.
- The -A4 amendment increases the Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Oregon Medical Board by \$59,747. This additional expenditure limitation will allow the Board to hire one part-time position to assist with processing licenses and support costs to consult with the Department of Justice to develop the program, staff training and background checks.

-A3 Amendment

LFO recommends adoption of the –A3 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A3 amendment to SB 476. *(vote)*

-A4 Amendment

LFO recommends adoption of the –A4 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A4 amendment to SB 476. *(vote)*

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 476, as amended by the –A3 and –A4 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 476, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. *(vote)*

Carriers

Full Committee:

House Floor:

Senate Floor: