OREGON STATE BAR Legislative Proposal

SB 490 - ORS CHAPTER 9 ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

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1. PROBLEM PRESENTED:

- A. The Oregon State Bar is currently updating its association management software. This implementation has raised questions about how and when the bar assesses a penalty for late payment of OSB membership fees.
- B. Currently the chief administrator of the Oregon State Bar is defined in statute as the Executive Director. The Board of Governors has voted to change the name of the position to Chief Executive Officer.
- C. During the 2015 legislative session, the legislature passed SB 381 which increased the membership by adding an out-of-state delegate. This changed raised questions about ORS 9.060 which currently calls for two vice-president positions that are no longer needed.
- D. Currently, the immediate past-president's role is not identified in statute.

2. SOLUTION:

- A. ORS 9.200 should be modified to clarify the Board of Governor's authority to assess a late penalty for delinquent membership fees.
- B. Amend ORS 9.005(4) and conforming statutory changes as needed to change the bar's chief administrator's title to Chief Executive Officer.
- C. Modify ORS 9.060 to eliminate the vice president designations.
- D. Codify in ORS 9.060 the role of the immediate past-president.