

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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| Action: | Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by prior reference |
| Vote: | 7 - 0 - 2 |
| Yeas: | Bonamici, Flores, Gelser, Kotek, Maurer, Richardson, Greenlick |
| Nays: | 0 |
| Exc.: | Bruun, Cannon |
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| Meeting Dates: | 2/26 (access sub), 3/09 (full) |

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Repeals provisions requiring Department of Human Services (DHS) to eliminate or limit Oregon Health Plan (OHP) coverage of dental, vision, hospital and drug services for 2005-2007 biennium. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Impact of eliminating services to current OHP population
- Impact on 2005-07 budget cycle
- Restoration of services and funding
- Limited resources versus limited services
- Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) waiver approval and implementation process
- 2005 legislative and budget processes
- 2005 Legislatively Adopted Budget and the Governor's Recommended Budget
- Timeline in obtaining the CMS waiver

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The 73rd Legislative Assembly enacted HB 3108, which contained multiple provisions. At the time, ORS 414.707(6) authorized the Legislative Assembly to adjust Oregon Health Plan (OHP) services. HB 3108 directed the Department of Human Services (DHS) to obtain a waiver from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to reduce or limit services and to adopt rules to align with DHS's 2005-07 Legislatively Adopted Budget. The budget assumed service reductions in inpatient hospital services, over the counter drugs, vision and dental services.

HB 2660 repeals the language directing DHS to adopt rules to implement health services adjustments.