

House Bill 2946

Sponsored by Representative MAURER

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Department of Human Services to authorize pilot programs to test alternative health care delivery systems.

Sunsets December 31, 2010.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to health care delivery system pilot programs.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly finds that:**

5 (1) **An efficient and effective health care system is critical to quality of life in Oregon;**

6 (2) **Oregon's increasing population is putting a strain on the health care delivery system;**

7 (3) **For all Oregonians to have access to health care, the delivery system must be ex-**
8 **panded; and**

9 (4) **Clinical trials using health care provider teams designed to take advantage of**
10 **decision-supporting software and utilizing lower cost frontline providers should be evaluated**
11 **as part of Oregon's health care delivery system.**

12 **SECTION 2. (1) Subject to funds made available by the Legislative Assembly, the De-**
13 **partment of Human Services shall develop one or more pilot programs to test alternative**
14 **health care delivery systems. Pilot programs may include, but are not limited to, programs**
15 **testing advanced information technology applications, including decision supporting software**
16 **that would allow health care decisions to be made during the first contact with the patient.**

17 (2) **Technology or other methods tested under subsection (1) of this section shall be**
18 **evaluated for:**

19 (a) **Demonstration of health outcomes that are equal to or better than those the current**
20 **delivery system provides;**

21 (b) **Ease of use by patients and providers;**

22 (c) **Extent of public acceptance; and**

23 (d) **The cost of implementation and administration.**

24 (3) **The department may adopt rules necessary to implement the provisions of this sec-**
25 **tion.**

26 **SECTION 3. The Department of Human Services may apply for, receive and accept**
27 **grants, gifts and other payments, including property and services, from any governmental**
28 **or other public or private entity or person and may make arrangements for the use of these**
29 **receipts, including the undertaking of special studies and other projects relating to health**
30 **care delivery systems.**

31 **SECTION 4. The Department of Human Services shall implement pilot programs under**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **section 2 of this 2007 Act no later than July 1, 2008.**

2 **SECTION 5. Sections 1 to 4 of this 2007 Act are repealed on December 31, 2010.**

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