

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 3 - 2 - 0

Yeas: Burdick, Metsger, Devlin

Nays: Atkinson, Ferrioli

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Meeting Dates: 6/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies amount of reimbursement due to a personal injury protection provider when total benefits exceed damages. Extends coverage for medical and certain related expenses from one year to two years from date of injury.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Oregon law requires that drivers have motor vehicle insurance, including personal injury protection. Personal injury protection provides coverage for medical expenses incurred in an automobile accident. In the event of an accident that is the fault of another driver, current law permits the insurance of the injured driver to be reimbursed for personal injury protection payments before the insured is fully compensated. This practice is called subrogation.

House Bill 2325-A requires an insured consumer to be fully compensated, within the limits of coverage, before an insurer is reimbursed. House Bill 2325-A also extends coverage of medical and related expenses to two years after the date of injury without increasing the maximum amount an insured consumer may recover.