Senate Bill 18

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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.

Repeals sunset on requirement that fully capitated health plans pay 80 percent of Medicare rate for services provided to plan enrollees by noncontracting hospital.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to rates for payments to noncontracting hospitals; amending ORS 414.743; repealing section

3, chapter 886, Oregon Laws 2007; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 414.743, as amended by section 2, chapter 886, Oregon Laws 2007, is amended to read:

- 414.743. (1) As used in this section, "fully capitated health plan" means an organization that contracts with the Department of Human Services on a prepaid capitated basis under ORS 414.725 to provide an adequate network of providers to ensure that all health services described in ORS 414.705 are reasonably accessible to enrollees.
- (2) A fully capitated health plan that does not have a contract with a hospital to provide inpatient or outpatient hospital services under ORS 414.705 to 414.750 must pay for hospital services at 80 percent of the Medicare rate for the noncontracting hospital. [as follows:]
- [(a) For inpatient hospital services, based on the capitation rates developed for the budget period, at the level of the statewide average unit cost, multiplied by the geographic factor, the payment discount factor and an adjustment factor of 0.925.]
- [(b) For outpatient hospital services, based on the capitation rates developed for the budget period, at the level of charges multiplied by the statewide average cost-to-charge ratio, the geographic factor, the payment discount factor and an adjustment factor of 0.925.]
- (3) A hospital that does not have a contract with a fully capitated health plan to provide inpatient or outpatient hospital services under ORS 414.705 to 414.750 must accept as payment in full the rates described in subsection (2) of this section. [for hospital services, rates:]
- [(a) For inpatient hospital services, based on the capitation rates developed for the budget period, at the level of the statewide average unit cost, multiplied by the geographic factor, the payment discount factor and an adjustment factor of 0.925.]
- [(b) For outpatient hospital services, based on the capitation rates developed for the budget period, at the level of charges multiplied by the statewide average cost-to-charge ratio, the geographic factor, the payment discount factor and an adjustment factor of 0.925.]
- (4) This section does not apply to type A and type B hospitals, as described in ORS 442.470, and rural critical access hospitals, as defined in ORS 315.613.

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.

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(5) The Department of Human Services shall adopt rules to implement and administer this section.
 SECTION 2. Section 3, chapter 886, Oregon Laws 2007, is repealed.
 SECTION 3. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect on its passage.

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