HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3659

By COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

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1	On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the first semicolon delete the rest of the line and in-
2	sert "appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.".
3	Delete lines 4 through 28 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:
4	" <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Temporary High Risk Pool Program Fund is established in the State
5	Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund, consisting of:
6	"(a) Moneys appropriated to the Temporary High Risk Pool Program Fund by the Legis-
7	lative Assembly;
8	"(b) Premiums paid to the Oregon Medical Insurance Pool Board by enrollees in the
9	Temporary High Risk Pool Program established in section 2 of this 2010 Act; and
10	"(c) Federal moneys provided to administer the Temporary High Risk Pool Program and
11	pay health insurance premiums for enrollees in the program.
12	"(2) All moneys in the Temporary High Risk Pool Program Fund are continuously ap-
13	propriated to the Oregon Medical Insurance Pool Board for the purpose of carrying out sec-
14	tion 2 of this 2010 Act.
15	"SECTION 2. (1) The Temporary High Risk Pool Program is established to ensure health
16	insurance coverage for individuals who are uninsured and are not enrolled in the Oregon
17	Medical Insurance Pool or other publicly funded medical assistance.
18	"(2) The program shall be administered by the Oregon Medical Insurance Pool Board
19	created by ORS 735.610. The board shall adopt rules for the program that are designed to
20	obtain the maximum level of federal funding. The rules shall establish:
21	"(a) Eligibility criteria for enrollment in the program;
22	"(b) Health care benefits available through the program;
23	"(c) The cost of premiums for participation in the program; and
24	"(d) Other enrollment or benefit coverage conditions for the program.
25	"(3) The board may limit enrollment in the program based on the anticipated federal
26	funding and enrollee premium payments.
27	" <u>SECTION 3.</u> The Oregon Health Authority may seek approval from the United States
28	Secretary of Health and Human Services that is necessary to obtain federal funding of the
29	Temporary High Risk Pool Program established in section 2 of this 2010 Act. The authority
30	shall notify the Legislative Counsel upon receipt of the approval or denial of approval.
31	"SECTION 4. Section 2 of this 2010 Act becomes operative upon the Oregon Health
32	Authority's receipt of approval from the United States Secretary of Health and Human Ser-
33	vices as described in section 3 of this 2010 Act.
34	" <u>SECTION 5.</u> Sections 1 to 3 of this 2010 Act are repealed on January 2, 2016.
35	" <u>SECTION 6.</u> This 2010 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public

- 1 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2010 Act takes effect
- 2 on its passage.".

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