FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Oregon Health Licensing Agency (OHLA), Oregon Health Authority

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Please see analysis

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

The measure as amended has no fiscal impact to the Oregon Health Licensing Authority, however, the bill requires that the Center for Health Statistics (Oregon Health Authority) collect and report data on birth and fetal deaths, including intrapartum and neonatal transfers to hospital care from another birthing facility, hospital, or other location. This data must be reported by the attendant type, including direct entry midwives. The Center for Health Statistics (CHS) would collect this information by adding two questions to each: the electronic birth certificate and fetal death report. The programming required is estimated to cost \$6,500 for each of the four questions for a total of \$26,000. An additional amount of \$4,000 is estimated by the agency to change paper forms and provide training and training materials, for a total one-time cost of \$30,000. The CHS may be able to absorb this cost in their existing budget, but notes that their fund balance may not be sufficient to do so. In this case the agency could increase fees through administrative rule to cover the costs.