FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Imposes requirements for contracts between contracting entities and third parties for access to health care services of providers.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS)

The bill has a minimal fiscal impact.

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:

HB 634-6 requires the Department of Consumer and Business Services to register certain health care contracting entities. These entities are defined in the bill. The bill includes an emergency clause, and is operative for contracts entered into on or after January 1, 2012. DCBS may take any action necessary to implement the bill upon passage.

DCBS used an estimate of 50 contracting entities that would register under the provisions of the bill. DCBS will have a minimal fiscal impact (approximately \$10,000 Other Funds) in start-up costs to develop the registration system, including staff and programming time. DCBS will absorb these start-up costs.

The biennial operating cost for the program is estimated at \$15,220 Other Funds. DCBS funds its operations from licenses and other fees charged to the entities that it regulates. DCBS will need to establish a registration fee of \$150 for each registration and renewal to cover the biennial operating cost of the program.

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