

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 972

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Measure Description:

Directs Oregon Health Authority to develop plan for providing health care coverage for all Oregonians, including recommendations for constitutionally-dedicated sales tax, assumptions regarding private sector health care delivery options and elimination of need of employers to provide health insurance coverage to employees, and options to eliminate plan deductibles for persons below certain levels of federal poverty guidelines.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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:

Senate Bill 972 requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to provide to the interim committee of the Legislative Assembly having jurisdiction over health care policy, not later than 60 days preceding the date of the convening of the 2012 legislative session, a plan for providing health care coverage to all Oregonians that meets the public health goals, strategies, programs and performance standards adopted by the Oregon Health Policy Board. The bill specifies the contents of the plan.

This bill requires the OHA to prepare and submit this plan using funds existing in the authority's 2011-13 legislatively adopted budget without reallocation of resources. OHA reports that the authority anticipates having the staffing and resources within 2011-13 legislatively adopted budget to comply with the provisions of this bill.