

76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
House Committee on Rules

MEASURE: HB 2100 A
CARRIER: Rep. Freeman
Rep. Kotek

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 7 - 0 - 1
Yeas: Barnhart, Berger, Freeman, Holvey, Wingard, Hunt, Olson
Nays: 0
Exc.: Garrett
Prepared By: Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Administrator
Meeting Dates: 6/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes 11-member Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (P &T Committee) to perform functions of Drug Use Review Board, which is abolished. Establishes Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC) to perform functions of Health Resources Commission and Health Services Commission, which are abolished. Describes roles of Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Department of Human Services (DHS) in administering medical assistance program. Permits sharing of information between OHA and DHS for specified reasons. Prohibits charging hospital for complaint investigations in excess of specified number and for related fees in excess of specified amount. Extends end date for OHA and DHS to cross-delegate. Corrects references, updates terminology, makes other technical corrections and creates enabling provisions for OHA. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Concerns associated with process of submitting amendments
- Sample amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: With the passage of House Bill 2009 (2009) the Oregon Health Authority was directed to establish a “statewide formulary” or preferred drug list. House Bill 2009 did not create a method for how such a preferred drug list should be created. The current process to establish a state wide formulary has been criticized for: not being transparent; having little public involvement; being very time consuming; and for some of the more complicated classes of drugs, having no expert involvement.

The Health Resources Commission (HRC) was created as a component of the Oregon Health Plan (OHP) to help achieve the goal that Oregonians have access to high quality, effective health care at an affordable cost, whether that care is purchased by the state or by the private sector. The role of the HRC is to encourage the rational and appropriate allocation and use of medical technology in Oregon by informing and influencing health care decision makers through analysis and dissemination of information concerning the effectiveness and cost of medical technologies. The role of the Health Services Commission (HSC) is to prioritize health services and establish benchmark rates for OHP.

The Oregon Drug Use Review Board (DUR) is a 12 member volunteer, advisory committee of physicians, pharmacists and a dentist. DUR’s mission is to encourage safe, effective, innovative and financially sustainable policies through drug use research and education; and is responsible for performing drug use review and making drug policy recommendations for Department Medical Assistance Program (DMAP).

House Bill 2100-A transfers the DUR duties and responsibilities to the Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee; and combines the HSC and HRC into the Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC).

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