

REVENUE: No revenue impact  
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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Action: Do Pass  
Vote: 5 - 2 - 1  
Yeas: Cannon, Doherty, Hoyle, Greenlick, Thompson  
Nays: Parrish, Weidner  
Exc.: Kennemer  
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Meeting Dates: 4/27, 5/11

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Authorizes Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to adopt uniform standards for health care financial and administrative transactions for specified persons. Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to convene stakeholder work group to develop recommended standards for health care financial and administrative transactions and report recommendations to DCBS. Establishes procedure for DCBS and OHA to collaborate to ensure consistency in rules implementing uniform standards. Makes Department of Human Services (DHS) subject to uniform standards. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Importance of streamlining administrative processes for provider and insurers
- Stakeholder support
- Potential savings with administrative changes
- Current standards required for health care electronic data interchange
- Public-private collaboration
- Possible amendments

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** House Bill 2009, passed by the Legislative Assembly during the 2009 session, authorizes Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to adopt uniform standards for health insurers based on recommendations from the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research. These standards include, but are not limited to: (1) eligibility verification; (2) health care claims processes; and, (3) payment and remittance advice.

Senate Bill 94-A specifies and extends this authority to apply to standards for health care financial and administrative transactions. The bill also extends DCBS authority to apply these standards to additional payers.