

76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
Senate Committee on General Government, Consumer and Small Business Protection

MINORITY REPORT
MEASURE: SB 573 A
CARRIER: Sen. George

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass with Different Amendments and Be Printed Engrossed

Signers onto the Minority Report: Sen. Boquist and Sen. George

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Meeting Dates: 4/6, 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Prohibits health insurers from demanding refund of payment made to satisfy a claim of a health care provider more than 18 months after the date of payment.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Difficulty in tracking payments over extended periods of time
- Typical timelines for billing insurance companies for services provided

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Changes deadline for requesting refund of payment from six months to 18 months after the date the payment was made.

BACKGROUND: Under current law, health insurers may request a refund of payment made to a health care provider in writing, including the reasons the insurer believes that the provider owes the refund, within 24 months after the date the payment was made. Senate Bill 573-AMR reduces the period during which an insurer may request a refund from a health provider from 24 months to 18 months.

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