

Enrolled
House Bill 2366

Sponsored by Representative NATHANSON; Representatives BARKER, DEMBROW, DOHERTY, GELSER, HOYLE, THOMPSON, Senators DEVLIN, MONNES ANDERSON (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to recruitment of primary care physicians; and declaring an emergency.

Whereas Oregon’s population is growing faster than the number of licensed, active and practicing primary care providers in Oregon; and

Whereas retirement of primary care providers is outpacing replacement; and

Whereas there is an acute shortage of primary care providers, particularly in rural communities; and

Whereas stabilizing and increasing Oregon’s health care workforce is a top priority for the Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Health Policy Board; now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. The Oregon Health Authority, through the Health Care Workforce Committee created pursuant to ORS 413.017, shall work with interested parties, which may include Travel Oregon, the State Workforce Investment Board, medical schools, physician organizations, hospitals, county and city officials, local chambers of commerce, organizations that promote Oregon or local communities in Oregon, and organizations that recruit health care professionals, to develop a strategic plan for recruiting primary care providers to Oregon. The strategic plan must address:

- (1) Best recruitment practices and existing recruitment programs;
- (2) Development of materials and information promoting Oregon as a desirable place for primary care providers to live and work;
- (3) Development of a pilot program to promote coordinated visiting and recruitment opportunities for primary care providers;
- (4) Potential funding opportunities; and
- (5) The best entities to implement the strategic plan.

SECTION 2. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect on its passage.

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