

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2366

Ordered by the House April 18
Including House Amendments dated April 18

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

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs Oregon Health Authority to develop [*programs to recruit medical school students, primary care residents and*] **strategic plan for recruiting** primary care physicians to Oregon.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to recruitment of primary care physicians; and declaring an emergency.

3 Whereas Oregon's population is growing faster than the number of licensed, active and practic-
4 ing physicians in Oregon; and

5 Whereas physician retirement is outpacing replacement; and

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

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

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

11 **SECTION 1.** **The Oregon Health Authority, through the Health Care Workforce Com-**
12 **mittee created pursuant to ORS 413.017, shall work with interested parties, which may in-**
13 **clude Travel Oregon, the State Workforce Investment Board, medical schools, physician**
14 **organizations, hospitals, county and city officials, local chambers of commerce, organizations**
15 **that promote Oregon or local communities in Oregon, and organizations that recruit health**
16 **care professionals, to develop a strategic plan for recruiting primary care physicians to**
17 **Oregon. The strategic plan must address:**

18 **(1) Best recruitment practices and existing recruitment programs;**

19 **(2) Development of materials and information promoting Oregon as a desirable place for**
20 **primary care physicians to live and work;**

21 **(3) Development of a pilot program to promote coordinated visiting and recruitment op-**
22 **portunities for primary care physicians;**

23 **(4) Potential funding opportunities; and**

24 **(5) The best entities to implement the strategic plan.**

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

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

