

# Senate Bill 675

Sponsored by Senator MONNES ANDERSON; Senator MORSE

## 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 **as introduced**.

Requires health insurers and third party administrators to use standard prior authorization form prescribed by Department of Consumer and Business Services. Becomes operative January 1, 2012.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to health insurance; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2011 Act is added to and made a part of the Insurance Code.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall prescribe a**  
6 **standard health insurance prior authorization form that:**

7 (a) **Must be used by any insurer or third party administrator when reimbursement for a**  
8 **service, treatment or medication is conditioned on prior authorization by the insurer or ad-**  
9 **ministrator;**

10 (b) **May be no more than two pages in length; and**

11 (c) **Shall be made available by the department electronically and in paper form.**

12 (2) **A person transacting health insurance and a third party administrator may not re-**  
13 **quire a provider to submit documentation in addition to the form prescribed by the depart-**  
14 **ment under this section to request prior authorization of a service, treatment or medication.**

15 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2011 Act becomes operative January 1, 2012.**

16 **SECTION 4. The Department of Consumer and Business Services may take any action**  
17 **before January 1, 2012, that is necessary to implement section 2 of this 2011 Act on January**  
18 **1, 2012.**

19 **SECTION 5. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
20 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect**  
21 **on its passage.**

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