

# Senate Bill 724

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE, HUMAN SERVICES AND RURAL HEALTH POLICY (at the request of American Association of Diabetes Educators; Dr. Kim Gauntt, President of Region 7 for the American Podiatric Medical Association; Diabetes Nation, Dr. Richard Aguilar; Dr. Chris Seufferling)

## 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**.

Prohibits health benefit plan from conditioning coverage of treatment for diabetes or diabetes comorbidity that is prescribed by health care provider on failure of another therapy or treatment.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to health insurance.

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. A health benefit plan, as defined in ORS 743.730, shall not require an insured**  
6 **to first try and fail an alternative therapy or over-the-counter treatment for diabetes or a**  
7 **comorbidity of diabetes before providing or reimbursing a therapy or treatment prescribed**  
8 **by a health care provider and approved for that use by the United States Food and Drug**  
9 **Administration.**

10 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2011 Act applies to health benefit plans in effect on or after**  
11 **the effective date of this 2011 Act.**

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**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.