

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carriers – House: Rep. Freeman  
Rep. Kotek

Revenue: No revenue impact

Carriers – Senate: Sen. Bates

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Sen. Steiner Hayward

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Action: Do Pass as Amended and as Printed A-Engrossed

Vote: 19 – 6 – 0

House

Yeas: Beyer, Buckley, Cowan, Freeman, Garrard, Komp, McLane, Nathanson, Nolan, Read, Richardson, G. Smith, Thatcher

Nays: Whisnant

Exc:

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Johnson, Monroe, Verger

Nays: Girod, Nelson, Thomsen, Whitsett, Winters

Exc:

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Meeting Date: February 10, 2012

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Provides legislative approval of Oregon Health Authority (OHA) proposals for Coordinated Care Organizations (CCOs). Requires authority to report quarterly to legislative committees on implementation of CCO model of health care delivery. Authorizes sharing and use of information between Department of Consumer and Business Services and authority for specified purposes. Prohibits discrimination against types of providers by CCOs and specified managed care organizations. Makes technical changes. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Effects of the amendments
- Process for developing medical liability legislation for 2013 legislative session

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Clarifies provider appeals process of CCO and an appeals process to OHA. Adds specific quarterly reporting requirements. Requires CCOs to have a community advisory council, and clarifies membership and duties. Requires OHA to designate on-site “innovator agents” to CCOs that request them, to serve as a single point of contact between CCO and OHA. Establishes a workgroup on Patient Safety and Defensive Medicine, under the direction of the Governor, to recommend legislation for the 2013 Legislature. Adds specific criteria required of CCOs.

**BACKGROUND:** In 2011, the Oregon Legislature created the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated Health Care System through House Bill 3650. The change was in response to the escalating costs due to the current health care delivery system. Under the new system, Coordinated Care Organizations will replace the current managed care organizations (MCOs), mental health organizations, and dental care organizations for the Medicaid/OHP populations. The proponents assert that the CCOs will improve health care delivery and will focus on wellness and prevention.