

House Bill 4010

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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 insurers to reimburse nurse practitioners at same rate as physicians for same services.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to equal pay for nurse practitioners; creating new provisions; amending ORS 743A.036; and
3 declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 743A.036 is amended to read:

6 743A.036. (1) Whenever any policy of health insurance provides for reimbursement for any ser-
7 vice which is within the lawful scope of practice of a duly licensed and certified nurse practitioner,
8 including prescribing or dispensing drugs, the insured under the policy is entitled to reimbursement
9 for such service whether it is performed by a physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board or
10 by a duly licensed nurse practitioner.

11 **(2) The reimbursement shall be in the same amount as the reimbursement paid under the**
12 **policy to a licensed physician performing the service in the area served.**

13 [(2)] (3) This section does not apply to group practice health maintenance organizations that are
14 federally qualified pursuant to Title XIII of the Health Maintenance Organization Act.

15 **SECTION 2.** The amendments to ORS 743A.036 by section 1 of this 2012 Act apply:

16 (1) **To services provided under contracts entered into or renewed on or after the effective**
17 **date of this 2012 Act by in-network, as defined in ORS 743.871, nurse practitioners.**

18 (2) **To services provided on or after the effective date of this 2012 Act by out-of-network,**
19 **as defined in ORS 743.871, nurse practitioners.**

20 **SECTION 3.** This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
21 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect**
22 **on its passage.**

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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.