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# MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Public Safety Subcommittee of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means

**From:** Kim To, Legislative Fiscal Office, 503-986-1830

**Date:** June 10, 2013

**Subject:** HB 2087 Relating to Health Care Delivery  
Work Session Recommendation

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House Bill 2087 authorizes the Department of Corrections, the Oregon Youth Authority, and local correctional facilities to apply for medical assistance on behalf of inmates of the facilities, rather than requiring inmates to apply for themselves. The bill does not declare an emergency and would be assumed to be effective January 1, 2014.

The measure previously had hearings in the House Committee on Health Care on 4/12/2013 and 4/18/2013. A public hearing was held for the bill in this Subcommittee on 5/9/2013.

The measure, the original staff measure summary, and the fiscal impact statement are attached to this memo, and available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS).

## **What the measure does**

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) reports that corrections officials estimate that as many as 75% of potentially eligible inmates refuse to apply for Medicaid benefits given the choice. HB 2087 allows a proxy or designated representative to complete and submit the application. With passage of this bill, it is anticipated that a larger number of inmates will be eligible for medical assistance coverage for hospital costs, and the state would be able to claim Medicaid matching funds for hospital inpatient care provided to incarcerated individuals through the Medical Assistance Programs (MAP), per federal law and regulation.

**Fiscal impact**

This measure is anticipated to realize savings for the state. OHA estimates that the Department of Corrections could save approximately \$13 million in the 2013-15 biennium. The Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) estimates approximately \$70,000 in savings a biennium, based on actual hospitalization payments for youth under the custody of OYA. Extrapolating from data provided by Multnomah County, the Oregon Health Authority estimates that Multnomah County could save roughly between \$0.75 and 1.0 million in the 2013-15 biennium from submitting claims for inpatient services to Medicaid.

**The amendment**

The -A2 amendment allows local mental health authorities flexibility in developing Biennial Implementation Plans by removing specific requirements regarding the timing of the Biennial Implementation Plans. The amendment also requires the plans be coordinated with community health improvement plans developed by coordinate care organizations (CCOs). Complying with these provisions would not result in a fiscal impact for the Oregon Health Authority and local mental health authorities.

**Recommendation**

LFO recommends moving the - A2 amendment into the bill.

**Motion**

**Motion: Senator/Representative \_\_\_\_\_: I move the dash A2 amendment into HB 2087.**

**Recommendation**

The measure is recommended to be moved to the Full Committee on Joint Ways and Means.

**Motion**

**Motion: Senator/Representative \_\_\_\_\_: I move HB 2087 with the dash A2 amendment to the Full Committee with a "do pass" recommendation as amended.**

**Assignment of Carriers**

Full: \_\_\_\_\_

Senate: \_\_\_\_\_

House: \_\_\_\_\_

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2087**

1 On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 2, delete “and 419C.550”  
2 and insert “, 419C.550, 430.630, 430.632, 430.640, 431.385, 431.416 and 624.510”.

3 On page 2, after line 28, insert:

4 **“SECTION 3.** ORS 430.630 is amended to read:

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1 justice and corrections systems receive needed care and to ensure continuity  
2 of services for adults and juveniles leaving the corrections system.

3 “(d) When developing a local plan, a local mental health authority shall:

4 “(A) Coordinate with the budgetary cycles of state and local governments  
5 that provide the local mental health authority with funding for mental  
6 health services;

7 “(B) Involve consumers, advocates, families, service providers, schools and  
8 other interested parties in the planning process;

9 “(C) Coordinate with the local public safety coordinating council to ad-  
10 dress the services described in paragraph (c)(J) of this subsection;

11 “(D) Conduct a population based needs assessment to determine the types  
12 of services needed locally;

13 “(E) Determine the ethnic, age-specific, cultural and diversity needs of the  
14 population served by the local plan;

15 “(F) Describe the anticipated outcomes of services and the actions to be  
16 achieved in the local plan;

17 “(G) Ensure that the local plan coordinates planning, funding and ser-  
18 vices with:

19 “(i) The educational needs of children, adults and older adults;

20 “(ii) Providers of social supports, including but not limited to housing,  
21 employment, transportation and education; and

22 “(iii) Providers of physical health and medical services;

23 “(H) Describe how funds, other than state resources, may be used to  
24 support and implement the local plan;

25 “(I) Demonstrate ways to integrate local services and administrative  
26 functions in order to support integrated service delivery in the local plan;  
27 and

28 “(J) Involve the local mental health advisory committees described in  
29 subsection (7) of this section.

30 “(e) The local plan must describe how the local mental health authority

1 will ensure the delivery of and be accountable for clinically appropriate  
2 services in a continuum of care based on consumer needs. The local plan  
3 shall include, but not be limited to, services providing the following levels  
4 of care:

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6 “(B) Secure and nonsecure extended psychiatric care;

7 “(C) Secure and nonsecure acute psychiatric care;

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9 “(E) Psychiatric day treatment;

10 “(F) Treatments that maximize client independence;

11 “(G) Family and peer support and self-help services;

12 “(H) Support services;

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15 “(K) Dual diagnosis services;

16 “(L) Access to placement in state-funded psychiatric hospital beds;

17 “(M) Precommitment and civil commitment in accordance with ORS  
18 chapter 426; and

19 “(N) Outreach to older adults at locations appropriate for making contact  
20 with older adults, including senior centers, long term care facilities and  
21 personal residences.

22 “(f) In developing the part of the local plan referred to in paragraph (c)(J)  
23 of this subsection, the local mental health authority shall collaborate with  
24 the local public safety coordinating council to address the following:

25 “(A) Training for all law enforcement officers on ways to recognize and  
26 interact with persons with mental illness, for the purpose of diverting them  
27 from the criminal and juvenile justice systems;

28 “(B) Developing voluntary locked facilities for crisis treatment and  
29 follow-up as an alternative to custodial arrests;

30 “(C) Developing a plan for sharing a daily jail and juvenile detention

1 center custody roster and the identity of persons of concern and offering  
2 mental health services to those in custody;

3 “(D) Developing a voluntary diversion program to provide an alternative  
4 for persons with mental illness in the criminal and juvenile justice systems;  
5 and

6 “(E) Developing mental health services, including housing, for persons  
7 with mental illness prior to and upon release from custody.

8 “(g) Services described in the local plan shall:

9 “(A) Address the vision, values and guiding principles described in the  
10 Report to the Governor from the Mental Health Alignment Workgroup,  
11 January 2001;

12 “(B) Be provided to children, older adults and families as close to their  
13 homes as possible;

14 “(C) Be culturally appropriate and competent;

15 “(D) Be, for children, older adults and adults with mental health needs,  
16 from providers appropriate to deliver those services;

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18 service sites or processes, and with the use of integrated service teams;

19 “(F) Ensure consumer choice among a range of qualified providers in the  
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23 treatment as appropriate;

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26 delivery systems, with an emphasis on transition between children and adult  
27 mental health services;

28 “(K) Be based on the ability of a client to pay;

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30 “(M) Use age-appropriate, research-based quality indicators;

1       “(N) Use best-practice innovations; and

2       “(O) Be delivered using a community-based, multisystem approach.

3       “(h) A local mental health authority shall submit to the Oregon Health  
4 Authority a copy of the local plan and [*biennial*] revisions adopted under  
5 paragraph (b) of this subsection at time intervals established by the **Oregon**  
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7       “(i) Each local commission on children and families shall reference the  
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4 that provide the local mental health authority with funding for mental  
5 health services;

6 “(B) Involve consumers, advocates, families, service providers, schools and  
7 other interested parties in the planning process;

8 “(C) Coordinate with the local public safety coordinating council to ad-  
9 dress the services described in paragraph (c)(J) of this subsection;

10 “(D) Conduct a population based needs assessment to determine the types  
11 of services needed locally;

12 “(E) Determine the ethnic, age-specific, cultural and diversity needs of the  
13 population served by the local plan;

14 “(F) Describe the anticipated outcomes of services and the actions to be  
15 achieved in the local plan;

16 “(G) Ensure that the local plan coordinates planning, funding and ser-  
17 vices with:

18 “(i) The educational needs of children, adults and older adults;

19 “(ii) Providers of social supports, including but not limited to housing,  
20 employment, transportation and education; and

21 “(iii) Providers of physical health and medical services;

22 “(H) Describe how funds, other than state resources, may be used to  
23 support and implement the local plan;

24 “(I) Demonstrate ways to integrate local services and administrative  
25 functions in order to support integrated service delivery in the local plan;  
26 and

27 “(J) Involve the local mental health advisory committees described in  
28 subsection (7) of this section.

29 “(e) The local plan must describe how the local mental health authority  
30 will ensure the delivery of and be accountable for clinically appropriate

1 services in a continuum of care based on consumer needs. The local plan  
2 shall include, but not be limited to, services providing the following levels  
3 of care:

4 “(A) Twenty-four-hour crisis services;

5 “(B) Secure and nonsecure extended psychiatric care;

6 “(C) Secure and nonsecure acute psychiatric care;

7 “(D) Twenty-four-hour supervised structured treatment;

8 “(E) Psychiatric day treatment;

9 “(F) Treatments that maximize client independence;

10 “(G) Family and peer support and self-help services;

11 “(H) Support services;

12 “(I) Prevention and early intervention services;

13 “(J) Transition assistance between levels of care;

14 “(K) Dual diagnosis services;

15 “(L) Access to placement in state-funded psychiatric hospital beds;

16 “(M) Precommitment and civil commitment in accordance with ORS  
17 chapter 426; and

18 “(N) Outreach to older adults at locations appropriate for making contact  
19 with older adults, including senior centers, long term care facilities and  
20 personal residences.

21 “(f) In developing the part of the local plan referred to in paragraph (c)(J)  
22 of this subsection, the local mental health authority shall collaborate with  
23 the local public safety coordinating council to address the following:

24 “(A) Training for all law enforcement officers on ways to recognize and  
25 interact with persons with mental illness, for the purpose of diverting them  
26 from the criminal and juvenile justice systems;

27 “(B) Developing voluntary locked facilities for crisis treatment and  
28 follow-up as an alternative to custodial arrests;

29 “(C) Developing a plan for sharing a daily jail and juvenile detention  
30 center custody roster and the identity of persons of concern and offering

1 mental health services to those in custody;

2 “(D) Developing a voluntary diversion program to provide an alternative  
3 for persons with mental illness in the criminal and juvenile justice systems;  
4 and

5 “(E) Developing mental health services, including housing, for persons  
6 with mental illness prior to and upon release from custody.

7 “(g) Services described in the local plan shall:

8 “(A) Address the vision, values and guiding principles described in the  
9 Report to the Governor from the Mental Health Alignment Workgroup,  
10 January 2001;

11 “(B) Be provided to children, older adults and families as close to their  
12 homes as possible;

13 “(C) Be culturally appropriate and competent;

14 “(D) Be, for children, older adults and adults with mental health needs,  
15 from providers appropriate to deliver those services;

16 “(E) Be delivered in an integrated service delivery system with integrated  
17 service sites or processes, and with the use of integrated service teams;

18 “(F) Ensure consumer choice among a range of qualified providers in the  
19 community;

20 “(G) Be distributed geographically;

21 “(H) Involve consumers, families, clinicians, children and schools in  
22 treatment as appropriate;

23 “(I) Maximize early identification and early intervention;

24 “(J) Ensure appropriate transition planning between providers and service  
25 delivery systems, with an emphasis on transition between children and adult  
26 mental health services;

27 “(K) Be based on the ability of a client to pay;

28 “(L) Be delivered collaboratively;

29 “(M) Use age-appropriate, research-based quality indicators;

30 “(N) Use best-practice innovations; and

1       “(O) Be delivered using a community-based, multisystem approach.

2       “(h) A local mental health authority shall submit to the Oregon Health  
3 Authority a copy of the local plan and [*biennial*] revisions adopted under  
4 paragraph (b) of this subsection at time intervals established by the **Oregon**  
5 **Health Authority**.

6       “**SECTION 5.** ORS 430.632 is amended to read:

7       “430.632. **The Oregon Health Authority may require** a local mental  
8 health authority [*shall submit to*] **to periodically report to** the Oregon  
9 Health Authority [*by October 1 of each even-numbered year a report*] on the  
10 implementation of the comprehensive local plan adopted under ORS 430.630  
11 (9).

12       “**SECTION 6.** ORS 430.640 is amended to read:

13       “430.640. (1) The Oregon Health Authority, in carrying out the legislative  
14 policy declared in ORS 430.610, subject to the availability of funds, shall:

15       “(a) Assist Oregon counties and groups of Oregon counties in the estab-  
16 lishment and financing of community mental health programs operated or  
17 contracted for by one or more counties.

18       “(b) If a county declines to operate or contract for a community mental  
19 health program, contract with another public agency or private corporation  
20 to provide the program. The county must be provided with an opportunity  
21 to review and comment.

22       “(c) In an emergency situation when no community mental health pro-  
23 gram is operating within a county or when a county is unable to provide a  
24 service essential to public health and safety, operate the program or service  
25 on a temporary basis.

26       “(d) At the request of the tribal council of a federally recognized tribe  
27 of Native Americans, contract with the tribal council for the establishment  
28 and operation of a community mental health program in the same manner  
29 in which the authority contracts with a county court or board of county  
30 commissioners.

1       “(e) If a county agrees, contract with a public agency or private corpo-  
2 ration for all services within one or more of the following program areas:

3       “(A) Mental or emotional disturbances.

4       “(B) Drug abuse.

5       “(C) Alcohol abuse and alcoholism.

6       “(f) Approve or disapprove the [*biennial*] **local** plan and budget informa-  
7 tion for the establishment and operation of each community mental health  
8 program. Subsequent amendments to or modifications of an approved plan  
9 or budget information involving more than 10 percent of the state funds  
10 provided for services under ORS 430.630 may not be placed in effect without  
11 prior approval of the authority. However, an amendment or modification af-  
12 fecting 10 percent or less of state funds for services under ORS 430.630  
13 within the portion of the program for persons with mental or emotional dis-  
14 turbances or within the portion for persons with alcohol or drug dependence  
15 may be made without authority approval.

16       “(g) Make all necessary and proper rules to govern the establishment and  
17 operation of community mental health programs, including adopting rules  
18 defining the range and nature of the services which shall or may be provided  
19 under ORS 430.630.

20       “(h) Collect data and evaluate services in the state hospitals in accord-  
21 ance with the same methods prescribed for community mental health pro-  
22 grams under ORS 430.634.

23       “(i) Develop guidelines that include, for the development of comprehensive  
24 local plans in consultation with local mental health authorities:

25       “(A) The use of integrated services;

26       “(B) The outcomes expected from services and programs provided;

27       “(C) Incentives to reduce the use of state hospitals;

28       “(D) Mechanisms for local sharing of risk for state hospitalization;

29       “(E) The provision of clinically appropriate levels of care based on an  
30 assessment of the mental health needs of consumers;

1       “(F) The transition of consumers between levels of care; and

2       “(G) The development, maintenance and continuation of older adult men-  
3 tal health programs with mental health professionals trained in geriatrics.

4       “(j) Work with local mental health authorities to provide incentives for  
5 community-based care whenever appropriate while simultaneously ensuring  
6 adequate statewide capacity.

7       “(k) Provide technical assistance and information regarding state and  
8 federal requirements to local mental health authorities throughout the local  
9 planning process required under ORS 430.630 (9).

10       “(L) Provide incentives for local mental health authorities to enhance or  
11 increase vocational placements for adults with mental health needs.

12       “(m) Develop or adopt nationally recognized system-level performance  
13 measures, linked to the Oregon Benchmarks, for state-level monitoring and  
14 reporting of mental health services for children, adults and older adults, in-  
15 cluding but not limited to quality and appropriateness of services, outcomes  
16 from services, structure and management of local plans, prevention of mental  
17 health disorders and integration of mental health services with other needed  
18 supports.

19       “(n) Develop standardized criteria for each level of care described in ORS  
20 430.630 (9), including protocols for implementation of local plans, strength-  
21 based mental health assessment and case planning.

22       “(o) Develop a comprehensive long-term plan for providing appropriate  
23 and adequate mental health treatment and services to children, adults and  
24 older adults that is derived from the needs identified in local plans, is con-  
25 sistent with the vision, values and guiding principles in the Report to the  
26 Governor from the Mental Health Alignment Workgroup, January 2001, and  
27 addresses the need for and the role of state hospitals.

28       “(p) Report biennially to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly on  
29 the progress of the local planning process and the implementation of the lo-  
30 cal plans adopted under ORS 430.630 (9)(b) and the state planning process

1 described in paragraph (o) of this subsection, and on the performance meas-  
2 ures and performance data available under paragraph (m) of this subsection.

3 “(q) On a periodic basis, not to exceed 10 years, reevaluate the method-  
4 ology used to estimate prevalence and demand for mental health services  
5 using the most current nationally recognized models and data.

6 “(r) Encourage the development of regional local mental health authori-  
7 ties comprised of two or more boards of county commissioners that establish  
8 or operate a community mental health program.

9 “(2) The Oregon Health Authority may provide technical assistance and  
10 other incentives to assist in the planning, development and implementation  
11 of regional local mental health authorities whenever the Oregon Health  
12 Authority determines that a regional approach will optimize the comprehen-  
13 sive local plan described under ORS 430.630 (9).

14 “(3) The enumeration of duties and functions in subsections (1) and (2)  
15 of this section shall not be deemed exclusive nor construed as a limitation  
16 on the powers and authority vested in the authority by other provisions of  
17 law.

18 “**SECTION 7.** ORS 431.385 is amended to read:

19 “431.385. (1) The local public health authority shall submit [*an annual*]  
20 **a local** plan to the Oregon Health Authority for performing services pursu-  
21 ant to ORS 431.375 to 431.385 and 431.416. The [*annual*] **local** plan shall be  
22 [*submitted*] **updated periodically** on a date established by the Oregon Health  
23 Authority by rule or on a date mutually agreeable to the authority and the  
24 local public health authority.

25 “(2) If the local public health authority decides not to submit [*an*  
26 *annual*] **a local** plan under the provisions of ORS 431.375 to 431.385 and  
27 431.416, the authority shall become the local public health authority for that  
28 county or health district.

29 “(3) The authority shall review and approve or disapprove each **local**  
30 plan. Variances to the local public health plan must be approved by the au-



1    thority. In consultation with the Conference of Local Health Officials, the  
2    authority shall establish the elements of a **local** plan and an appeals process  
3    whereby a local **public** health authority may obtain a hearing if its **local**  
4    plan is disapproved.

5       “(4) Each local commission on children and families shall reference the  
6    local public health plan in the local coordinated comprehensive plan created  
7    pursuant to ORS 417.775.

8       “(5) **The Oregon Health Authority may adopt uniform timelines and**  
9    **requirements for the submission of local plans by local public health**  
10   **authorities and local mental health authorities and the submission of**  
11   **community health improvement plans by coordinated care organiza-**  
12   **tions to the extent that the requirements for local plans and commu-**  
13   **nity health improvement plans overlap.**

14       “**SECTION 8.** ORS 431.385, as amended by section 102, chapter 37, Oregon  
15    Laws 2012, is amended to read:

16       “431.385. (1) The local public health authority shall submit [*an annual*]  
17    **a local** plan to the Oregon Health Authority for performing services pursu-  
18    ant to ORS 431.375 to 431.385 and 431.416. The [*annual*] **local** plan shall be  
19    [*submitted*] **updated periodically** on a date established by the Oregon Health  
20    Authority by rule or on a date mutually agreeable to the authority and the  
21    local public health authority.

22       “(2) If the local public health authority decides not to submit [*an*  
23    *annual*] **a local** plan under the provisions of ORS 431.375 to 431.385 and  
24    431.416, the authority shall become the local public health authority for that  
25    county or health district.

26       “(3) The authority shall review and approve or disapprove each **local**  
27    plan. Variances to the local public health plan must be approved by the au-  
28    thority. In consultation with the Conference of Local Health Officials, the  
29    authority shall establish the elements of a **local** plan and an appeals process  
30    whereby a local **public** health authority may obtain a hearing if its **local**

1 plan is disapproved.

2       **“(4) The Oregon Health Authority may adopt uniform timelines and**  
3 **requirements for the submission of local plans by local public health**  
4 **authorities and local mental health authorities and the submission of**  
5 **community health improvement plans by coordinated care organiza-**  
6 **tions to the extent that the requirements for local plans and commu-**  
7 **nity health improvement plans overlap.**

8       **“SECTION 9.** ORS 431.416 is amended to read:

9       “431.416. The local public health authority or health district shall:

10       “(1) Administer and enforce the rules of the local public health authority  
11 or the health district and public health laws and rules of the Oregon Health  
12 Authority.

13       “(2) Assure activities necessary for the preservation of health or pre-  
14 vention of disease in the area under its jurisdiction as provided in the [*an-*  
15 *nual*] **local** plan of the authority or district are performed. These activities  
16 shall include but not be limited to:

17       “(a) Epidemiology and control of preventable diseases and disorders;

18       “(b) Parent and child health services, including family planning clinics  
19 as described in ORS 435.205;

20       “(c) Collection and reporting of health statistics;

21       “(d) Health information and referral services; and

22       “(e) Environmental health services.

23       **“SECTION 10.** ORS 624.510 is amended to read:

24       “624.510. (1) The Director of the Oregon Health Authority shall enter into  
25 an intergovernmental agreement with each local public health authority es-  
26 tablished under ORS 431.375, delegating to the local public health authority  
27 the administration and enforcement within the jurisdiction of the local pub-  
28 lic health authority of the powers, duties and functions of the director under  
29 ORS 624.010 to 624.121, 624.310 to 624.430, 624.650 and 624.992. The intergov-  
30 ernmental agreement must describe the powers, duties and functions of the

1 local public health authority relating to fee collection, licensing, inspections,  
2 enforcement, civil penalties and issuance and revocation of permits and cer-  
3 tificates, standards for enforcement by the local public health authority and  
4 the monitoring to be performed by the Oregon Health Authority. The Oregon  
5 Health Authority shall establish the descriptions and standards in consulta-  
6 tion with the local public health authority officials and in accordance with  
7 ORS 431.345. The intergovernmental agreement must be a part of the local  
8 [annual] plan submitted by the local public health authority under ORS  
9 431.385. The Oregon Health Authority shall review the performance of the  
10 local public health authority under any expiring intergovernmental agree-  
11 ment. The review shall include criteria to determine if provisions of ORS  
12 624.073 are uniformly applied to all licensees within the jurisdiction of the  
13 local public health authority. In accordance with ORS chapter 183, the di-  
14 rector may suspend or rescind an intergovernmental agreement under this  
15 subsection. If the Oregon Health Authority suspends or rescinds an inter-  
16 governmental agreement, the unexpended portion of the fees collected under  
17 subsection (2) of this section shall be available to the Oregon Health Au-  
18 thority for carrying out the powers, duties and functions under this section.

19 “(2) A local public health authority shall collect fees on behalf of the  
20 Oregon Health Authority that are adequate to cover the administration and  
21 enforcement costs incurred by the local public health authority under this  
22 section and the cost of oversight by the Oregon Health Authority. If the fee  
23 collected by a local public health authority for a license or service is more  
24 than 20 percent above or below the fee for that license or service charged  
25 by the Oregon Health Authority, the Oregon Health Authority shall analyze  
26 the local public health authority fee process and determine whether the local  
27 public health authority used the proper cost elements in determining the fee  
28 and whether the amount of the fee is justified. Cost elements may include,  
29 but need not be limited to, expenses related to administration, program costs,  
30 salaries, travel expenses and Oregon Health Authority consultation fees. If

1 the Oregon Health Authority determines that the local public health au-  
2 thority did not use the proper cost elements in determining the fee or that  
3 the amount of the fee is not justified, the Oregon Health Authority may or-  
4 der the local public health authority to reduce any fee to a level supported  
5 by the Oregon Health Authority's analysis of the fee process.

6       “(3) The Oregon Health Authority, after consultation with groups repre-  
7 senting local health officials in the state, shall by rule assess a remittance  
8 from each local public health authority to which health enforcement powers,  
9 duties or functions have been delegated under subsection (1) of this section.  
10 The amount of the remittance must be specified in the intergovernmental  
11 agreement. The remittance shall supplement existing funds for consultation  
12 services and development and maintenance of the statewide food service  
13 program. The Oregon Health Authority shall consult with groups represent-  
14 ing local health officials in the state and statewide restaurant associations  
15 in developing the statewide food service program.

16       “(4) In any action, suit or proceeding arising out of local public health  
17 authority administration of functions pursuant to subsection (1) of this sec-  
18 tion and involving the validity of a rule adopted by the Oregon Health Au-  
19 thority, the Oregon Health Authority shall be made a party to the action,  
20 suit or proceeding.”.

21       In line 29, delete “3” and insert “11”.

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**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION****Measure: HB 2087 - A2**Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2013 Regular Session  
Legislative Fiscal Office***Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed  
Versions are Considered Official***

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Reviewed by: Linda Ames, Linda Gilbert, Monica Brown  
Date: 6/5/2013

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**Measure Description:**

Allows a designee of a correctional facility to apply for medical assistance on behalf of person residing in the correctional facility for establishing eligibility for medical assistance during a period of hospitalization that will occur outside of the correctional facility. Modifies requirements for comprehensive local plan adopted by local mental health authority.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), Department of Corrections, local correctional facilities, local mental health authorities.

**Local Government Mandate:**

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Analysis:**

House Bill 2087 A-Engrossed authorizes the Department of Corrections, the Oregon Youth Authority, and local correctional facilities to apply for medical assistance on behalf of inmates of the facilities, rather than the inmates being required to apply for themselves. The bill does not declare an emergency and would be assumed to be effective January 1, 2014.

This bill is anticipated to realize savings for the state. However, at this time, the full fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminate. As a point of reference, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) provides the following information: OHA reports that corrections officials estimate that as many as 75% of potentially eligible inmates refuse to apply for Medicaid benefits given the choice. This bill allows a proxy or designated representative to complete and submit the application. With passage of this bill, it is anticipated that a larger number of inmates will be eligible for medical assistance coverage, and the state would be able to claim Medicaid matching funds for hospital inpatient care provided to incarcerated individuals through the Medical Assistance Programs (MAP), per federal law and regulation, which could result in savings for the Department of Corrections, Oregon Youth Authority, and local correctional entities. OHA estimates that the Department of Corrections could save approximately \$13 million in the 2013-15 biennium. The Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) estimates approximately \$70,000 in savings a biennium, based on actual hospitalization payments for youth under the custody of OYA. Extrapolating from data provided by Multnomah County, the Oregon Health Authority estimates that Multnomah County could save roughly between \$0.75 and 1.0 million in the 2013-15 biennium from submitting claims for inpatient services to Medicaid.

The Oregon Health Authority notes that the responsibility and liability for the information provided on the inmates' applications would be with the designated representative (i.e., the state or local entity that submits the application). This could result in overpayments that the entity would need to repay.

Currently, the OHA does not include corrections inpatient expenses in their budget. Should this bill become law, the Oregon Health Authority will require General Fund dollars and Federal Fund limitation to handle the increased claims. However, additional analysis would be required to determine the final impact of the bill. In addition, the Department of Corrections requires more time and further analysis to predict the workload and expenditures that would be involved in applying for medical assistance. The Oregon Youth Authority will use existing staff and resources to apply for medical assistance on behalf of youths under its custody.

The – A2 amendment allows local mental health authorities flexibility in developing Biennial Implementation Plans by removing specific requirements regarding the timing of the Biennial Implementation Plans. The amendment also requires the plans be coordinated with community health improvement plans developed by coordinate care organizations (CCOs). Complying with these provisions would not result in a fiscal impact for the Oregon Health Authority and local mental health authorities.

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep.  
Carrier – Senate: Sen.

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

**Fiscal:** Fiscal statement issued

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**Action:**

**Vote:**

House

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc:

Senate

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc:

**Prepared By:** Kim To, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Meeting Date:** 6/14/2013

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Authorizes the Department of Corrections, the Oregon Youth Authority, and local correctional facilities to apply for medical assistance on behalf of inmates of the facilities, rather than requiring inmates to apply for themselves. The bill does not declare an emergency and would be assumed to be effective January 1, 2014.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

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**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** The –A2 amendment allows local mental health authorities flexibility in developing Biennial Implementation Plans by removing specific requirements regarding the timing of the Biennial Implementation Plans. The amendment also requires the plans be coordinated with community health improvement plans developed by coordinate care organizations (CCOs).

**BACKGROUND:** Prison officials are obligated under the Eighth Amendment to provide prisoners with adequate medical care. According to *The Oregonian*, prison health services cost the state \$100 million per year and those costs are rising as the prison population gets older.

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) reports that corrections officials estimate that as many as 75% of potentially eligible inmates refuse to apply for Medicaid benefits given the choice. HB 2087 allows a proxy or designated representative to complete and submit the application. With passage of this bill, it is anticipated that a larger number of inmates will be eligible for medical assistance coverage for hospital costs, and the state would be able to claim Medicaid matching funds for hospital inpatient care provided to incarcerated individuals through the Medical Assistance Programs (MAP), per federal law and regulation.

## FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2087 - A

Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2013 Regular Session  
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### **Measure Description:**

Allows a designee of a correctional facility to apply for medical assistance on behalf of person residing in the correctional facility for establishing eligibility for medical assistance during a period of hospitalization that will occur outside of the correctional facility.

### **Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), Department of Corrections, local correctional facilities

### **Local Government Mandate:**

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

### **Analysis:**

House Bill 2087 A-Engrossed authorizes the Department of Corrections, the Oregon Youth Authority, and local correctional facilities to apply for medical assistance on behalf of inmates of the facilities, rather than the inmates being required to apply for themselves. The bill does not declare an emergency and would be assumed to be effective January 1, 2014.

This bill is anticipated to realize savings for the state. However, at this time, the full fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminate. As a point of reference, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) provides the following information: OHA reports that corrections officials estimate that as many as 75% of potentially eligible inmates refuse to apply for Medicaid benefits given the choice. This bill allows a proxy or designated representative to complete and submit the application. With passage of this bill, it is anticipated that a larger number of inmates will be eligible for medical assistance coverage, and the state would be able to claim Medicaid matching funds for hospital inpatient care provided to incarcerated individuals through the Medical Assistance Programs (MAP), per federal law and regulation, which could result in savings for the Department of Corrections, Oregon Youth Authority, and local correctional entities. OHA estimates that the Department of Corrections could save approximately \$13 million in the 2013-15 biennium. The Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) estimates approximately \$70,000 in savings a biennium, based on actual hospitalization payments for youth under the custody of OYA. Extrapolating from data provided by Multnomah County, the Oregon Health Authority estimates that Multnomah County could save roughly between \$0.75 and 1.0 million in the 2013-15 biennium from submitting claims for inpatient services to Medicaid.

The Oregon Health Authority notes that the responsibility and liability for the information provided on the inmates' applications would be with the designated representative (i.e., the state or local entity that submits the application). This could result in overpayments that the entity would need to repay.

Currently, the OHA does not include corrections inpatient expenses in their budget. Should this bill become law, the Oregon Health Authority will require General Fund dollars and Federal Fund limitation to handle the increased claims. However, additional analysis would be required to determine the final impact of the bill.



In addition, the Department of Corrections requires more time and further analysis to predict the workload and expenditures that would be involved in applying for medical assistance.

The Oregon Youth Authority will use existing staff and resources to apply for medical assistance on behalf of youths under its custody.

REVENUE: No revenue impact  
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
<b>Vote:</b>	9 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Clem, Conger, Harker, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Thompson, Weidner, Greenlick
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Tyler Larson, Administrator
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	4/12

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows designee of correctional facility apply for medical assistance on behalf of person residing in facility for purpose of establishing eligibility for medical assistance during a period of hospitalization outside facility. Allows designee obtain information to determine eligibility. Requires effective date of medical assistance be date person begins hospitalization outside facility. Requires person, agency or institution having legal custody of youth or youth offender obtain and disclose information necessary for Social Security benefits, public assistance or medical assistance on behalf of youth or youth offender. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of the bill
- Medical costs of inmates and eligibility for medical assistance

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces the measure.

**BACKGROUND:** Prison officials are obligated under the Eighth Amendment to provide prisoners with adequate medical care. According to *The Oregonian*, prison health services cost the state \$100 million per year and those costs are rising as the prison population gets older.

House Bill 2087-A will reduce some health care costs by allowing prison officials to seek medical assistance for qualifying individuals who will be receiving hospital treatment outside of facility.

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