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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Director of Oregon Health Authority to appoint members to Health Evidence Review Commission subcommittee if commission determines it lacks required expertise or upon request by interested outside party. Specifies member has full voting rights on subcommittee.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Proponents and Oregon Health Authority directed to meet and develop amendment
- Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC) modeled after the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee
- Current process of appointing expert to HERC
- Proposed amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Specifies Health Evidence Review Commission to seek member with appropriate expertise and appoint to subcommittee if commission determines it lacks required expertise or upon request by interested outside party. Specifies member has full voting rights on subcommittee.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 2100 was enacted in 2011, which created the Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC). HERC is directed to:

- Develop and maintain a list of health services ranked by priority, from the most important to the least important, representing the comparative benefits of each service to the population to be served;
- Develop or identify and disseminate evidence-based health care guidelines for use by providers, consumers and purchasers of health care in Oregon; and
- Conduct comparative effectiveness research of health technologies.

Senate Bill 621-A directs HERC to seek appropriate expertise, for an advisory committee or subcommittee, when technology is being considered, if HERC thinks that they need an outside expert or if an interested party requests that HERC seek specific expertise.

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