

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Knopp, Kruse, Shields, Steiner Hayward, Monnes Anderson
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	4/2, 4/8

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Establishes ten-member Stroke Care Committee in Oregon Health Authority (OHA). Directs OHA director appoints members, and provide committee criteria, terms of office, and develop plan for achieving continuous improvement in quality of stroke care. Requires report to Legislative Assembly beginning of each odd-numbered legislative sessions.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Oregon stroke statistics
- Importance of effective treatment in timely manner
- Comprehensive or Primary Stroke Centers in Oregon hospitals
- Current data collection process
- Ten consensus stroke measures
- Proposed amendment

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

**BACKGROUND:** According to the National Stroke Association, a stroke or “brain attach” occurs when a blood clot blocks an artery (a blood vessel that carries blood from the heart to the body) or a blood vessel breaks, interrupting blood flow to an area of the brain. When either of these things happens, brain cells begin to die and brain damage occurs.

Up to 80 percent of strokes are preventable. Stroke is the fourth leading cause of death in American and is a leading cause of adult disability. Senate Bill 375-A creates the Stroke Care Committee within the Oregon Health Authority to analyze stroke data and to develop a plan for continuous improvements in the quality of stroke care.