

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

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

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**Action:** Do Pass with Amendments to the A-Engrossed Measure. (Printed B-Engrossed)

**Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

**Yeas:** Knopp, Kruse, Shields, Steiner Hayward, Monnes Anderson

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/7, 5/23

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Creates process for state on-site quality assessments. Provides immunity from liability for coordinated care organization (CCO) or insurer that relies on state assessments. Defines assessment and organizational provider. Establishes advisory committee to develop and adopt rules to develop credentialing criteria. Identifies advisory committee membership, duties and reporting requirements.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The need to streamline redundant credentialing process
- Reciprocity for all CCOs
- Unintended consequences of reciprocity
- Current National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) process
- Work group to meet and develop amendment
- Proposed amendment
- Summary of work group consensus amendment

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

**BACKGROUND:** In 2012, Senate Bill 1580 was enacted, which approved Oregon Health Authority's coordinated care organization (CCO) proposal. CCOs are local health entities that deliver health coverage to Oregon's Medicaid recipients, and are designed to efficiently and effectively deliver health care by coordinating mental, physical and dental care. Currently, a provider must credential with each CCO with whom it contracts. Proponents assert that this process is cumbersome, costly and redundant.

House Bill 2020-B seeks to reduce costs for providers and increase access to mental health and chemical dependency treatment providers in CCOs by requiring CCOs to accept credentials found to be sufficient by another CCO. The bill also requires the Oregon Health Authority adopt standards for credentialing these providers to ensure uniformity.

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