

**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:** 5/16, 5/21

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Directs board of directors of Oregon Health Insurance Exchange Corporation (Cover Oregon) to report to Legislative Assembly and certain other parties on efforts made to coordinate eligibility determination and enrollment processes for qualified health plans and state medical assistance program. Aligns Cover Oregon and Oregon Health Authority reporting requirements. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Oregon Health Plan clients moving between Community Care Organizations and Cover Oregon
- Maintaining continuity of care
- Importance of collaboration between Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Cover Oregon
- Proposed amendment

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Requires Cover Oregon and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to report quarterly to the Legislative Assembly. Adds July 1, 2017 sunset date for Cover Oregon’s reporting requirement to be aligned with OHA’s reporting requirement.

**BACKGROUND:** In 2010, the federal government enacted the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA). The ACA aims to decrease the number of uninsured Americans and reduce the overall costs of health care. The ACA creates mandates, subsidies and tax credits for employers and individuals to increase the coverage rate. In order to comply with ACA requirements and to provide a regulated marketplace, the Oregon Health Insurance Exchange Corporation (Cover Oregon) was created in 2011.

The transition of individuals between medical assistance programs and the private insurance market is referred to as “churn,” and can represent a significant challenge for patients who must change plans and providers. House Bill 2132-B requires Cover Oregon and Oregon Health Authority report to the Legislative Assembly on efforts to coordinate the transition between medical assistance programs and the commercial market regulated by Cover Oregon.

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