77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2128 B

CARRIER: Sen. Steiner Hayward

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Health Care & Human Services

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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

Prepared By: Sandy Thiele-Cirka, Administrator

Meeting Dates: 5/20, 5/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Oregon Health Insurance Exchange Corporation (Cover Oregon) and Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB) to consult with stakeholders regarding plans that may be offered through exchange to districts and eligible employees of districts. Requires OEBB and Cover Oregon to adopt rules to ensure that offered plans are underwritten by insurer using single risk pool composes of all eligible employees who are enrolled or who will be enrolled in plan, both through Cover Oregon and OEBB. Clarifies process for OEBB and Cover Oregon to develop options for school districts in OEBB to access Cover Oregon in 2015.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure
- Current structure of risk pool
- Proposed amendments
- Consensus with process and amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Clarifies process for OEBB and Cover Oregon to develop options for school districts in OEBB to access Cover Oregon in 2015.

BACKGROUND: In 2011, Senate Bill 99 was enacted, which established the Oregon Health Insurance Exchange Corporation (Cover Oregon) for the benefit of the people and businesses to obtain health insurance coverage through the exchange. The original legislation required that Cover Oregon consult with stakeholders on plans offered through the exchange for educators.

House Bill 2128-B codifies the current process between the Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB) and Cover Oregon is and provides clarification to how OEBB and Cover Oregon will develop the option for school districts in OEBB to access the exchange in 2015.