

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 621

Ordered by the Senate March 27
Including Senate Amendments dated March 27

Sponsored by Senators MONNES ANDERSON, KRUSE

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Requires Director of Oregon Health Authority to appoint [*temporary members to*] **members to advisory committees or subcommittees of** Health Evidence Review Commission if commission determines it lacks required expertise or upon request by interested outside party.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the Health Evidence Review Commission; amending ORS 414.688.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 414.688 is amended to read:

5 414.688. (1) As used in this section:

6 (a) "Practice of pharmacy" has the meaning given that term in ORS 689.005.

7 (b) "Retail drug outlet" has the meaning given that term in ORS 689.005.

8 (2) The Health Evidence Review Commission is established in the Oregon Health Authority,
9 consisting of 13 members appointed by the Governor in consultation with professional and other
10 interested organizations, and confirmed by the Senate, as follows:

11 (a) Five members must be physicians licensed to practice medicine in this state who have clin-
12 ical expertise in the areas of family medicine, internal medicine, obstetrics, perinatal health,
13 pediatrics, disabilities, geriatrics or general surgery. One of the physicians must be a doctor of
14 osteopathy, and one must be a hospital representative or a physician whose practice is significantly
15 hospital-based.

16 (b) One member must be a dentist licensed under ORS chapter 679 who has clinical expertise
17 in general, pediatric or public health dentistry.

18 (c) One member must be a public health nurse.

19 (d) One member must be a behavioral health representative who may be a social services
20 worker, alcohol and drug treatment provider, psychologist or psychiatrist.

21 (e) Two members must be consumers of health care who are patient advocates or represent the
22 areas of indigent services, labor, business, education or corrections.

23 (f) One member must be a complementary or alternative medicine provider who is a chiropractic
24 physician licensed under ORS chapter 684, a naturopathic physician licensed under ORS chapter 685
25 or an acupuncturist licensed under ORS chapter 677.

26 (g) One member must be an insurance industry representative who may be a medical director
27 or other administrator.

28 (h) One member must be a pharmacy representative who engages in the practice of pharmacy

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 at a retail drug outlet.

2 (3) No more than six members of the commission may be physicians either in active practice or
3 retired from practice.

4 (4) Members of the commission serve for a term of four years at the pleasure of the Governor.
5 A member is eligible for reappointment.

6 **(5) If the commission determines that any of its advisory committees or subcommittees**
7 **lack current clinical or treatment expertise with respect to a particular technology, or at the**
8 **request of an interested outside party, the Director of the Oregon Health Authority shall**
9 **appoint for a specific term one or more members to the advisory committees or subcom-**
10 **mittees who have the requisite expertise and who shall have full voting rights with respect**
11 **to recommendations regarding the technology or treatment for which they were appointed**
12 **but may not vote on any other issue before the advisory committees or subcommittees.**

13 [(5)] (6) Members are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and nec-
14 essary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the
15 manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses shall be paid out of funds
16 available to the Oregon Health Authority for purposes of the commission.

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