MEMORANDUM

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То:	Human Services Subcommittee of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means
From:	Linda Ames, Legislative Fiscal Office 503-986-1816
Date:	February 24, 2014
Subject:	HB 4109 Work Session Recommendations

HB 4109 directs the Oregon Health Authority to commission an independent study on the feasibility of establishing the Basic Health Program in Oregon. This program is allowed in the Affordable Care Act, and could potentially make health insurance more accessible to lower income individuals who do not qualify for Medicaid. The agency is expected to report the study's findings by November 30, 2014.

The measure previously had a hearing in the House Committee on Health Care on 2/3/2014.

Amendment

The proposed –2 amendment adds an appropriation of \$60,000 General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority to pay for the study.

Motion: I move the -2 amendment to HB 4109.

Measure as Modified

The measure, as amended, is recommended to be moved to the Full Committee on Joint Ways and Means.

Motion: I move HB 4109 to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means with a "do pass" recommendation, as amended.

Assignment of Carriers