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# MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Human Services Subcommittee of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means

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**Date:** February 27, 2014

**Subject:** HB 4154-A  
Work Session Recommendations

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Like SB 5182, HB 4154-A authorizes the OMIP Board to pay for costs of the Temporary Medical Insurance Program, and indicates that the first funding source to be used is the ending balance remaining from the expired premium tax. The bill also allows flexibility to the Oregon reinsurance program for potential changes to the federal reinsurance program.

In addition, this bill requires Cover Oregon to request federal approval to protect Oregon residents and business from consequence of operational delays in the Cover Oregon website, makes employees of Cover Oregon subject to state whistleblower protections, and temporarily expands the Governor's power to remove members of the board of Cover Oregon.

The measure previously had hearings in the House Committee on Health Care on February 5 and 12, 2014.

## Amendment

The proposed -A16 amendment removes all provisions in this bill that are already included in SB 1582. As amended, the bill has no fiscal impact.

**Motion: I move the -A16 amendment to HB 4154-A.**

## 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 4154-A to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means with a "do pass" recommendation, as amended.**

**Assignment of Carriers**

Full: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Chamber: \_\_\_\_\_