## 77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2014 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 1562 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Sen. Kruse

Senate Committee on Health Care and Human Services

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Knopp, Kruse, Shields, Steiner Hayward, Monnes Anderson

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/10, 2/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies requirements for health insurance coverage of services, medications and supplies necessary for diabetes management during pregnancy. Clarifies notification requirements between practitioner and insurer.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Clarifies that the benefit is during pregnancy and six weeks postpartum
- Unintended consequences relating to health savings accounts
- Clarifies notification requirements from practitioner to insurer

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Clarifies notification requirements between practitioner and insurer.

**BACKGROUND:** Diabetic women who become pregnant have a higher risk of birth abnormalities, in utero or neonatal death, as well as delivery problems as a result of the fetus' exposure to high blood sugars. House Bill 2432 was enacted during the 2013 Legislative Session. The measure prohibits cost sharing for health services, medications and supplies that are medically necessary for a pregnant woman to manage her diabetes from conception to six weeks postpartum.

Senate Bill 1562-A clarifies that the benefit is during pregnancy and six weeks postpartum, and excludes health savings accounts language.