

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 3396 - 5

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Measure Description:

Creates Health Care Provider Incentive Fund.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting House Bill 3396 with the – 5 amendment from the House Committee on Health Care to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The bill:

- Establishes the Health Care Provider Incentive Fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for use by the Office of Rural Health within the Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU)*.
- Abolishes the Primary Care Provider Loan Repayment and the Primary Health Care Loan Forgiveness Programs within the Oregon Health Authority, and requires the unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended for the 2013-15 biennium for these programs to be transferred to this newly established Health Care Provider Incentive Fund.
- Directs the Office of Rural Health to convene an advisory committee, and specify the criteria this advisory must use to advise the Office on the allocation of moneys in the Health Care Provider Incentive Fund.
- Authorizes the Office of Rural Health to distribute the moneys in the Health Care Provider Incentive Fund based on recommendations from the advisory committee.
- Specifies that incentives must include naturopathic physicians.

The bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact on the Oregon Health Authority, and the Oregon Health Sciences University. The amount of this impact is still being determined.

*Note that only a portion of OHSU agency's budget is subject to Executive Branch review, or approval or modification by the Legislative Assembly. State funding is provided to OHSU for specific functions such as medical and nursing schools, Office of Rural Health, and the Poison Control Center. .

A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required