PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Senate Health Care

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact	
Action:	
Vote:	
Yeas:	
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Meeting Dates:	5/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to adopt rule standards for determining whether information requested by a coordinated care organization from an organizational provider is redundant with respect to the reporting requirements for an assessment or if the information is outside of the scope of the assessment criteria. Directs OHA to develop and maintain centralized database for the credentialing of behavioral health care organization providers and adopt rules relating to the content and operations of the database. Directs OHA to utilize the current committee (ORS 430.637) to facilitate the rule making process. Specifies criteria for the rules. Directs the committee to report to the Legislative Assembly on the database effectiveness no later than December 31, 2015.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Seventy-Seventh Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2020, which requires the coordinated care organizations (CCOs) to accept credentials of mental health and chemical dependency treatment providers that have been conducted by another CCO to meet credentialing requirements and quality standards. The Oregon Health Authority was directed to adopt credentialing standards for these providers to ensure uniformity. It has been reported that multiple CCOs are still requiring separate credentialing and re-credentialing for providers, which places additional demands and costs to the providers.