

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2294 – A2

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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to establish Oregon Health Information Technology program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

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:

House Bill 2294:

1. Codifies the establishment and maintenance of the Oregon Health Information Technology program;
2. Outlines the activities that OHA may carry out to administer the program;
3. Emphasizes that OHA is subject to regular oversight and procurement processes;
4. Allows OHA to offer the services provided by the program to outside entities; and authorizes OHA to impose fees, by rule, on entities that use program services to pay for the cost of administering these services;
5. Requires OHA to report to the Legislative Assembly on the status of the program at least once a year;
6. Defines “health informatics”; and
7. Modifies the membership, the requirements for membership, and duties of the Health Information Technology Oversight Council.

The fiscal impact of this bill to the Oregon Health Authority is minimal because the bill codifies the existing Oregon Health Information Technology program, and current OHA staff has the capacity to carry out the provisions of this bill. For this reason, this measure does not require a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.