Representative Nathanson

FULL COMMITTEE PONY

Oregon Health Authority Congenital Heart Defects

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Committee on Ways and Means approve the submission of a federal grant application to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for up to \$425,000 per year for four years to identify the prevalence of congenital heart defects.

The purpose of the grant is to develop and implement approaches for identifying the prevalence of Oregonians with congenital heart defects. The agency will use multiple existing data sources to identify individuals with congenital heart defects across the lifespan. Ultimately, the goal is to better understand the effects of congenital heart defects into adulthood, and to develop strategies to improve health care services for this population.

No state matching funds are required for the grant, and no new positions will be needed.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval of the request.