

## FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 679

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Legislative Fiscal Office

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### **Measure Description:**

Creates Medicaid Management Information System Oversight Committee to monitor progress of improvements to Oregon's mechanized claim processing system for Medicaid claims.

### **Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO)

### **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:**

Senate Bill 679 creates the nine-member Medicaid Management Information System Oversight Committee to monitor the Oregon Health Authority's progress in implementing improvements to the Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS).

### Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO)

The bill requires the Legislative Fiscal Officer or designee to serve on the committee. The bill also requires LFO to provide the committee with staff and services necessary to carry out its function. The bill allows non-legislative members to be reimbursed for travel and other expenses out of funds appropriated to the MMIS Oversight Committee. However, the bill does not appropriate funds to the committee, which would seem to suggest that expenses for reimbursement and staff support are intended to come from the LFO Legislatively Approved Budget, which does not contemplate expenditures specifically for this purpose. LFO expects to reprioritize duties and responsibilities of existing staff to support the committee. However, if the work required by this committee, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2015-17 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

### Legislative Assembly

Two members of the task force will be Legislative members who are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. Although the 2015-17 Legislative Branch budget contains funds allocated for interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2015-17 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

### Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

The bill requires the Director of OHA to appoint three individuals who represent coordinated care organizations to the committee. The bill also requires the Chief Information Officer to appoint three individuals with information technology expertise but who are not affiliated with vendors with contracts with OHA to serve on the committee. This fiscal assumes OHA and DAS will reprioritize duties and responsibilities of existing staff to allow participation on the committee. However, if the committee requires information that requires tracking, reporting or information technology expertise that exceeds what current staff can provide, additional staffing and General Fund resources may be required.