Senate Bill 874

Sponsored by Senator PROZANSKI (at the request of Jennifer Knapp)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Requires Oregon Health Authority to provide or contract for provision of training on adrenal insufficiency for certain health care professionals. Requires certain health care professionals to attend training.

Becomes operative January 1, 2016.

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Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to adrenal insufficiency; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall provide or contract for the provision of training on adrenal insufficiency for:
 - (a) Emergency medical services providers licensed under ORS chapter 682; and
 - (b) Registered nurses licensed under ORS 678.010 to 678.445.
 - (2) Training provided under this section must include instruction on:
- 9 (a) Adrenal insufficiency and the dangers associated with adrenal insufficiency;
- 10 **(b)** How to identify a person with adrenal insufficiency;
 - (c) The types of medications that are available for treating adrenal insufficiency; and
 - (d) How to administer medications that treat adrenal insufficiency.
 - (3) Training provided under this section may be made available as an online education module.
 - (4) Completion of the training provided under this section authorizes a person described in subsection (1) of this section to administer medications that treat adrenal insufficiency.
 - (5) The Oregon Health Authority shall:
 - (a) Register persons described in subsection (1) of this section who complete the training provided under this section; and
 - (b) Issue to each person registered under paragraph (a) of this subsection a document that states the person is authorized to administer medications that treat adrenal insufficiency.
 - (6)(a) The Oregon Health Authority may charge a fee for attending the training provided under this section. Fees charged under this subsection must be reasonably calculated to not exceed the cost of implementing the provisions of this section.
 - (b) All moneys collected pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the Oregon Health Authority Fund established under ORS 413.101 and are continuously appropriated to the authority for the purpose of carrying out the duties, functions and powers of the authority under this section.
 - (7) Training provided under this section may be made available to other health care

professionals or the public for the purpose of educating other health care professionals or the public about adrenal insufficiency.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act does not affect the authority of a registered nurse licensed under ORS 678.010 to 678.445 to administer medications that treat adrenal insufficiency if the registered nurse is otherwise authorized under the laws of this state to administer those medications.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> The Oregon Health Authority shall establish by rule a protocol for the treatment of patients who have adrenal insufficiency at hospital emergency departments. The protocol shall establish the circumstances under which a hospital emergency department must prioritize the treatment of a patient who has adrenal insufficiency.

SECTION 4. Section 5 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 682.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> In consultation with the State Emergency Medical Service Committee, the Oregon Health Authority shall adopt rules requiring:

- (1) Emergency medical services providers licensed under this chapter to attend the training provided under section 1 of this 2015 Act; and
- (2) Ambulances licensed under this chapter to carry one or more medications that treat deficient production of glucocorticoids and mineralocorticoids.

SECTION 6. Section 7 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 678.010 to 678.445.

SECTION 7. The Oregon State Board of Nursing, in consultation with the Oregon Health Authority, shall adopt rules requiring registered nurses who work in a hospital emergency department to attend the training provided under section 1 of this 2015 Act.

SECTION 8. (1) Sections 1 to 7 of this 2015 Act become operative on January 1, 2016.

(2) The Oregon Health Authority and Oregon State Board of Nursing may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the authority and board to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, powers and functions conferred on the authority and board by sections 1 to 7 of this 2015 Act.

SECTION 9. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.