

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2125**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “care;” delete the rest of the
2 line and insert “creating new provisions; amending ORS 315.616 and section
3 25, chapter 913, Oregon Laws 2009; and prescribing an effective date.”.

4 After line 12, insert:

5 **“SECTION 2. ORS 315.616 is amended to read:**

6 “315.616. A resident or nonresident individual who is certified as eligible
7 under ORS 442.561, 442.562, 442.563 or 442.564, and is licensed as a physician
8 under ORS chapter 677, licensed as a physician assistant under ORS chapter
9 677, licensed as a nurse practitioner under ORS chapter 678, licensed as a
10 certified registered nurse anesthetist under ORS chapter 678, licensed as a
11 dentist under ORS chapter 679 [*or*], licensed as an optometrist under ORS
12 683.010 to 683.340 **or licensed as a pharmacist under ORS chapter 689** is
13 entitled to the tax credit described in ORS 315.613 even if not a member of
14 the hospital medical staff if the Office of Rural Health certifies that the in-
15 dividual:

16 “(1) Is engaged for at least 20 hours per week, averaged over the month,
17 during the tax year in a rural practice; and

18 “(2)(a) If a physician or a physician assistant, can cause a patient to be
19 admitted to the hospital;

20 “(b) If a certified registered nurse anesthetist, is employed by or has a
21 contractual relationship with one of the hospitals described in ORS 315.613
22 (1); or

1 “(c) If an optometrist, has consulting privileges with a hospital listed in
2 ORS 315.613 (1). This paragraph does not apply to an optometrist who qual-
3 ifies as a ‘frontier rural practitioner,’ as defined by the Office of Rural
4 Health.

5 **“SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 315.616 by section 2 of this
6 2015 Act apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016.**

7 **“SECTION 4. This 2015 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
8 date on which the 2015 regular session of the Seventy-eighth Legisla-
9 tive Assembly adjourns sine die.”.**

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