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## Vote YES on HB 4017A- Basic Health Plan Blueprint

HB 4017A enables the State to explore waivers that could enable better access to affordable health coverage for working families and those excluded from public health insurance due to citizenship status. The bill creates a Basic Health Plan Blueprint as an option to provide more robust coverage at little cost to the state.

HB 4017A would require an updated feasibility study from 2014 & 2015 Legislation. The bill directs DCBS, in partnership with OHA, to create a BHP Blueprint. **Legislative approval would be required** before a BHP Blueprint could be implemented. This Blueprint would also allow DCBS to use Section 1332 of the Affordable Care Act -- the state innovation waiver -- to allow Oregon meet its health care goals.

A well-designed BHP could:

- Eliminate out-of-pocket costs and significantly cut premiums for approximately 88,000 low-income Oregonians;
- Offer a more robust benefit package than marketplace plans;
- Address "churn" by reducing coverage gaps experienced when income levels fluctuate;
- Reduce the "benefits cliff" between Medicaid and commercial insurance;
- Provide an affordable option for an estimated 15,000 currently uninsured Oregonians;
- Conform to Oregon's innovative Coordinated Care Model and offer plans through the Marketplace;
- Provide affordable, long-term coverage to COFA Pacific Islanders and Legal Permanent Residents who are barred from the Oregon Health Plan.

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