

Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4030**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 12 through 15 and insert:

2 “(b) ‘Emergency medical services provider’ or ‘provider’ means an entity
3 that:

4 “(A) Employs individuals who are licensed by the Oregon Health Au-
5 thority under ORS chapter 682 to provide emergency medical services; and

6 “(B)(i) Is owned or operated by a local government, a state agency or a
7 federally recognized Indian tribe; or

8 “(ii) Contracts with a local government pursuant to a plan described in
9 ORS 682.062.”.

10 In line 18, after “the” delete the rest of the line and insert “state plan for
11 medical assistance.

12 “(d) ‘Local government’ has the meaning given that term in ORS
13 174.116.”.

14 On page 3, delete lines 9 through 17 and insert:

15 **“SECTION 4. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall convene a work
16 group to develop recommendations for implementing sections 2 and 3
17 of this 2016 Act in order to align the reimbursement of emergency
18 medical services in this state with the goals of the Oregon Integrated
19 and Coordinated Health Care Delivery System described in ORS 414.620
20 (1). The authority shall appoint to the work group its own represen-
21 tatives and representatives from:**

1 “(a) Fire departments;
2 “(b) Coordinated care organizations; and
3 “(c) Other stakeholder groups that have an interest in and con-
4 tribute to emergency medical services provided to medical assistance
5 recipients in this state.

6 “(2) The recommendations must include a proposal that leverages
7 new federal financial participation to:

8 “(a) Increase the reimbursement for the cost of emergency medical
9 services; and

10 “(b) Advance the goals of the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated
11 Health Care Delivery System including, but not limited to, the re-
12 duction of avoidable or unnecessary:

13 “(A) Emergency medical transportation;

14 “(B) Emergency room visits; and

15 “(C) Hospital admissions and readmissions.

16 “(3) The recommendations must:

17 “(a) Identify the minimum amount of federal financial participation
18 necessary to financially sustain the delivery of emergency medical
19 services in this state;

20 “(b) Specify exemption criteria for small fire departments, rural fire
21 departments and other fire departments that could experience finan-
22 cial hardship if unable to meet the criteria to participate in the pro-
23 grams described in sections 2 and 3 of this 2016 Act;

24 “(c) Include metrics to track the success of emergency medical
25 services providers in advancing the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated
26 Health Care Delivery System; and

27 “(d) Consider the circumstances of small and rural fire depart-
28 ments.

29 “SECTION 5. (1) Section 2 of this 2016 Act becomes operative on the
30 later of July 1, 2017, or the date that the Centers for Medicare and

1 **Medicaid Services approves the implementation of section 2 of this 2016**
2 **Act.**

3 **“(2) Section 3 of this 2016 Act becomes operative on the later of July**
4 **1, 2017, or the date that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Ser-**
5 **vices approves the implementation of section 3 of this 2016 Act.**

6 **“(3) If the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services determines**
7 **that section 2 or 3 of this 2016 Act may not apply to emergency medical**
8 **services providers described in section 2 (1)(b)(B)(ii) of this 2016 Act,**
9 **and refuses to approve the proposed amendments to the state plan for**
10 **medical assistance that are necessary to implement section 2 or 3 of**
11 **this 2016 Act based on that determination, the authority shall modify**
12 **the proposed amendments to the state plan for medical assistance to**
13 **exclude the providers described in section 2 (1)(b)(B)(ii) of this 2016**
14 **Act.**

15 **“(4) The Oregon Health Authority shall immediately notify the**
16 **Legislative Counsel if the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**
17 **approves or disapproves, in whole or in part, the implementation of**
18 **section 2 or 3 of this 2016 Act.**

19 **“SECTION 6. Sections 4 and 5 of this 2016 Act are repealed on De-**
20 **cember 31, 2017.”.**

21 In line 18, delete “5” and insert “7”.

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