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Measure Description:

Establishes Advance Directive Rules Adoption Committee for purpose of adopting form of advance directive to be used in this state.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Analysis:

Senate Bill 494 with the - 2 amendment establishes the 13-member Advance Directive Rules Adoption Committee within the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) charged with adopting an advance directive form to be used in Oregon. The committee is required to review this form every four years. The bill specifies the basic form and elements for this advance directive document. On or before December 1st of evennumbered years, the committee is required to submit the form to an interim legislative committee. During odd-numbered year legislative session, the committee is required to present information on the current form, an evaluation of its efficacy, and any proposed changes to the appropriate legislative committee. OHA is required to post the advance directive form on its website.

The Oregon Health Authority estimates the fiscal impact of this bill to be \$68,158 General Fund for the 2017-19 biennium, and \$61,158 General Fund for the 2019-21 biennium. If this bill passes, OHA anticipates contracting with an entity with expertise in advance directives to provide ongoing management. The fiscal includes this contract fee, Attorney General expenses and reimbursement costs for members of the Directive Rules Adoption Committee. OHA will use existing staff to support the work of the committee.

This bill requires budgetary action for allocation of General Fund resources.