

SB 215 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary

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Meeting Dates: 4/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Health Authority to establish and operate statewide database for collection and dissemination of orders for rare disease emergency response (ORDER) medical treatment for purpose of ensuring safe treatment. Creates Oregon ORDER Database Advisory Committee. Defines key terms.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal impact issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 215 directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to create and operate a statewide database for the collection and dissemination of orders for rare disease emergency response medical treatment in order to ensure the safe treatment of individuals with rare diseases in emergency situations. It directs OHA to adopt rules for the submission of certain information into the database, such as ORDERS. ORDER is defined as an order for rare disease emergency response medical treatment that is necessary to treat a rare disease and has been signed by a physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant. SB 215 defines other key terms. The database is for use by emergency medical service providers, hospitals, urgent care centers and the State Police. SB 215 allows a patient to opt out of the database. It also specifies that OHA is not required to prescribe, disseminate, educate or train health care professionals about ORDERS. SB 215 provides for confidentiality of information in the database and immunity from civil and criminal liability for persons reporting to, or acting in good faith releasing information from, the database. Finally, SB 215 creates the Oregon ORDER Database Advisory Committee within OHA. It specifies membership and term length of the committee.