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Measure: HB 3083

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#### **Measure Description:**

Requires Director of Department of Consumer and Business Services to convene task force to study and make recommendations for improving and stabilizing health insurance exchange.

# **Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS), Legislative Assembly, Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

## Analysis:

House Bill 3083 requires the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to convene a seven-member task force to study and make recommendations for improving and stabilizing the health insurance exchange, including but not limited to using a technical platform other than healthcare.gov. The task force is required to report its recommendations to the Legislature by September 15, 2018. The bill takes effect on passage. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2018.

## Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS)

The fiscal impact of this bill on DCBS is anticipated to be minimal. DCBS will reprioritize duties and responsibilities of existing staff to support the task force.

#### Legislative Assembly

The bill specifies that non-legislative members of the task force serve as volunteers and are not entitled to compensation and reimbursement. However, two members of the task force will be legislative members who are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. The estimated per diem and travel reimbursement cost for the two legislative members is \$402 per day. This amount includes the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) tax, and assumes per diem remains at \$142 per day, and the average mileage of 90 miles at the current rate of \$0.535 per mile. Although the 2017-19 Legislative Assembly budget contains funds allocated for interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2017-19 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required. The task force would not incur additional costs to the Legislative Assembly budget if the meetings are held at the Capitol building during Legislative Session, Task force or Legislative Days.

### Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have minimal impact on OHA. Although the bill does not explicitly name OHA, because of the subject matter, this fiscal assumes that the agency will be consulted. OHA is expected to provide the task force with requested existing available data, information, advice, and other support that is within the current capacity of its staffing and resources.

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