

**SB 52 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Health Care**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to adopt rules for ambulance services and emergency medical services (EMS) providers to report patient encounter data to an electronic EMS data management system for each patient care event. Specifies types of patient outcome data required for reporting to Oregon Trauma Registry. Requires patient outcome data that hospitals enter into Oregon Trauma Registry to be available to ambulance service or emergency services provider that transported the patient. Directs OHA to determine, by rulemaking, the method for which data are available and how it may be used. Removes the ability of hospitals to charge a fee for reporting information. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.*

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Trauma Systems Program, managed by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), develops and regulates systems for quality medical care in Oregon. The Oregon Trauma Registry collects data, reported voluntarily from 44 trauma hospitals, about the causes of injury, emergency response, cost and outcome of all injured patients that receive trauma system care. Oregon trauma hospitals, however, are not able to electronically send patient information to the EMS providers. Oregon's EMS providers also voluntarily report patient encounter data to OHA. Currently, 70 percent of Oregon's 92 licensed EMS Providers voluntary report patient care records to the state's EMS system.

SB 52 requires all licensed EMS transport providers to report a standard set of patient encounter data directly to the Oregon Trauma Registry and allows hospitals to report pre-hospital information back to local EMS providers, electronically.