

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: SB 558**

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**Measure Description:**

Requires Oregon Health Authority to convene work group to advise and assist in implementing targeted outreach and marketing for Health Care for All Oregon Children program.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Department of Human Service (DHS), Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS)

**Summary of Expenditure Impact - Oregon Health Authority (OHA):**

	<b>2017-19 Biennium</b>	<b>2019-21 Biennium</b>
Personal Services	806,504	806,504
Services and Supplies	171,020	171,020
Special Payments	53,784,194	53,784,194
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$54,761,718</b>	<b>\$54,761,718</b>
Positions	6	6
FTE	4.50	4.50

**Analysis:**

Senate Bill 558 appropriates an unspecified amount out of the General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and expands eligibility for medical assistance under the existing Health Care for All Oregon Children (Healthy Kids) from children lawfully present in Oregon to all children residing in Oregon. In addition, the bill:

1. Requires OHA to institute a streamlined re-enrollment process.
2. Directs OHA to convene a workgroup charged with helping the agency implement outreach and marketing strategies for the Health Care for All Oregon Children program.
3. Allows OHA and the Department of Human Services (DHS) to require the child or child’s caretaker to provide information to determine eligibility.
4. Authorizes OHA to collaborate with the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to seek federal approval or waivers to obtain funding to carry out the provisions of this bill.

OHA calculates the fiscal impact of this expansion to be \$54,761,718 General Fund and 4.50 FTE per biennium. The total fiscal amount includes personal services and related services and supplies for six permanent positions: Four Operations and Policy Analysts to carry out outreach and marketing activities, and two Human Service Specialists to handle the increased caseload. Special Payments amounts are based on coverage of a projected additional 14,928 children by the end of the biennium, at the estimated 2017-19 rate that Medicaid is expected to pay for Oregon Health Plan children per member per month. The bill contains an emergency clause, and the fiscal pricing assumes a July 1, 2017 start date. Under current federal law, non-emergent care expenses for clients not lawfully present in the United States do not qualify for federal funding. This bill is anticipated in the Governor’s Budget for the Oregon Health Authority as Policy Option Package 407.

This bill does not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Department of Consumer and Businesses Services (DCBS). OHA collaborates and coordinates with these two agencies for the requirements of this bill as routine process.