

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2524

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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to administer program to provide loans to hospitals for establishing new primary care residency programs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Oregon State Lottery

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee Health Care to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 2524 allocates \$50 million of Lottery Funds to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), and directs OHA to administer a program to provide loans, of up to \$3 million, to hospitals for making capital expenditures to establish new primary care residency programs. The bill also appropriates an unspecified amount of General Fund to OHA to fund the operations of the cost-sharing program to train residency physicians. The bill modifies statutes related to this cost-sharing program to transfer its administration from the Office of Student Access and Completion to the Oregon Health Authority. There is not fiscal impact to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (Office of Student Access and Completion) because the program has not been funded for several years.

This bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact to the Oregon Health Authority. The amount of this impact is still being determined. A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required