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Measure: HB 2391

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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to submit blueprint for basic health plan to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services by December 31, 2017.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Analysis:

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

House Bill 2391 requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to submit a Blueprint for federal certification of a Basic Health Plan by December 31, 2017. A Basic Health Plan is a state coverage option created by section 1331 of the Affordable Care Act. The Blueprint is documentation required by the federal government detailing the state's program design choices, including a full layout of the operations and management of the program, as well as the program's compliance with federal law. The Blueprint must include a funding plan for any non-federal funds needed to pay for benefits, services, or costs, not covered by federal funds available to states operating a Basic Health Plan. In the Blueprint, OHA would have to demonstrate operational readiness to implement a Basic Health Plan. Before submitting the Blueprint for federal approval, several policy decisions and programmatic design choices must be made, including provider reimbursement rates, benefit design and coverage, and delivery system. Prior to implementation and federal approval, OHA would need to develop and test several system changes to demonstrate readiness. Federal regulations also require that Oregon seek public comment prior to finalizing and submitting the Blueprint.

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.

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