House Bill 2723

Sponsored by Representative SOLLMAN (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Prohibits exclusion of hippotherapy from services provided in medical assistance. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to hippotherapy; and declaring an emergency.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> Section 2 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 414.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "hippotherapy" means a form of physical therapy

6 in which a patient sits or lies on the back of a horse for the therapeutic effect of the horse's
7 movement.

8 (2) Notwithstanding ORS 414.690, the Oregon Health Authority may not exclude 9 hippotherapy from the types of health care and services to be provided to recipients of

10 medical assistance under ORS 414.065.

SECTION 3. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.

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