

House Bill 2837

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

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**.

Clarifies law regarding health insurance coverage required for orally administered anticancer drugs.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to health insurance; amending ORS 743A.068; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 743A.068 is amended to read:

5 743A.068. (1) A health benefit plan that provides coverage for **intravenously administered or**
6 **injected cancer medications or coverage for prescription drugs for the treatment of cancer**
7 [*chemotherapy treatment*] must provide coverage for a prescribed, orally administered anticancer
8 medication used to kill or slow the growth of cancerous cells on a basis no less favorable than
9 [*intravenously administered or injected cancer medications that are covered as medical benefits*] **the**
10 **other covered benefits.**

11 (2) As used in this section, "health benefit plan" has the meaning given that term in ORS
12 743B.005.

13 (3) The provisions of ORS 743A.001 do not apply to this section.

14 **SECTION 2.** **This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
15 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect**
16 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.