

Requested by Representative HACK

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2015**

1 Delete lines 4 through 15 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. Sections 2 to 4 of this 2017 Act are added to and made**
3 **a part of ORS chapter 414.**

4 **“SECTION 2. As used in sections 2 to 4 of this 2017 Act, ‘doula’**
5 **means an individual who meets criteria for a doula adopted by the**
6 **Oregon Health Authority in accordance with ORS 414.665.**

7 **“SECTION 3. The Oregon Health Authority, in coordination with**
8 **the Traditional Health Workers Commission, shall in each even-**
9 **numbered year review, and revise if necessary, any rates of re-**
10 **imbursement for doulas. When reviewing and revising rates of**
11 **reimbursement, the authority shall consider factors including re-**
12 **tention of doulas, access to culturally specific doulas and evidence-**
13 **based factors and empirical studies related to the cost-effectiveness**
14 **of services provided by doulas.**

15 **“SECTION 4. A coordinated care organization shall make informa-**
16 **tion about how to access doula services available on a website operated**
17 **by or on behalf of the coordinated care organization and shall provide**
18 **the information in print whenever a printed explanation of benefits is**
19 **available.**

20 **“SECTION 5. The Oregon Health Authority shall study potential**
21 **changes to the medical assistance program that would facilitate mak-**

1 ing direct payments to doulas for services provided while continuing
2 to meet any requirements for supervision of a doula by a licensed
3 health care practitioner.

4 **“SECTION 6. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall provide to the**
5 **Oregon Health Policy Board and the Oregon Public Health Advisory**
6 **Board, and shall make available free of charge on the primary website**
7 **operated by or on behalf of the authority, a report on the status of**
8 **doulas in this state. The report must include, but not be limited to,**
9 **information on:**

10 **“(a) The number of claims for reimbursement of doulas submitted**
11 **to the authority and the percentage of those claims that are reim-**
12 **bursed;**

13 **“(b) Any barriers experienced by doulas to accessing the claims**
14 **process;**

15 **“(c) The annual increase or decrease in the number of doulas listed**
16 **on a registry managed by the authority;**

17 **“(d) The demographics of the registry of doulas managed by the**
18 **authority;**

19 **“(e) Doula training or certification programs offered in this state;**

20 **“(f) The relationship between the registry of doulas managed by the**
21 **authority and the perceived doula workforce need; and**

22 **“(g) Recommendations on achieving cultural specificity goals for**
23 **doula services.**

24 **“(2) The authority shall provide the report required by subsection**
25 **(1) of this section annually beginning on September 15, 2018.**

26 **“SECTION 7. The Oregon Health Authority shall first perform the**
27 **review required by section 3 of this 2017 Act in 2020.**

28 **“SECTION 8. Section 6 of this 2017 Act is repealed on January 1,**
29 **2024.”.**

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