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SUMMARY

Establishes Reporting Relief and Medicaid Transparency Task Force.
Specifies membership and duties.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to transparency in the administration of the state medical assistance program.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Reporting Relief and Medicaid Transparency Task Force is established.

(2) The task force consists of 11 members as follows:

(a) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among the members of the House of Representatives;

(b) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among the members of the Senate;

(c) The Governor shall appoint:

(A) Three members representing coordinated care organizations, as defined in ORS 414.025;

(B) Two members of the Transparency Oregon Advisory Commission who are not members of the Legislative Assembly;

(C) One member representing members of coordinated care organizations;

(D) One member representing a regional health equity coalition; and

(E) One member of the Medicaid Advisory Committee who does not

1 represent a coordinated care organization; and

2 (d) The ombudsman for the Oregon Health Authority or the
3 ombudsman's designee.

4 (3) The task force shall:

5 (a) Review state and federal laws governing the disclosure of public
6 records.

7 (b) Review the data reporting requirements established by law or in
8 contracts for coordinated care organizations.

9 (c) Review the data reporting timelines established by law or in
10 contracts for coordinated care organizations.

11 (d) Review the types of data that are reported by coordinated care
12 organizations but not made available to the public and whether there
13 is a legal reason for withholding those types of data from the public.

14 (e) Investigate how easily the public can access the data that is
15 made available including, but not limited to:

16 (A) Whether the data can be searched by subject matter; and

17 (B) Whether the data contains common terminology that is under-
18 standable to the general public.

19 (4) No later than September 15, 2020, the task force shall report to
20 the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health,
21 in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and to the Transparency
22 Oregon Advisory Commission, the findings from its review and inves-
23 tigation and the task force's recommendations for consolidating and
24 storing the data reported by coordinated care organizations to the
25 Oregon Health Authority in a manner that:

26 (a) Allows the public to easily navigate through the information;
27 and

28 (b) Eliminates duplicative information.

29 (5) The task force may not make recommendations that would have
30 the effect of:

31 (a) Reducing or eliminating the data that is currently reported; or

1 **(b) Withholding from public disclosure data that is currently avail-**
2 **able to the public.**

3 **(6) No later than January 1, 2021, the authority shall implement the**
4 **recommendations described in subsection (4) of this section. No later**
5 **than September 15, 2021, the authority shall report to the interim**
6 **committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health, in the**
7 **manner provided in ORS 192.245, on the implementation of the rec-**
8 **ommendations.**

9 **(7) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes**
10 **a quorum for the transaction of business.**

11 **(8) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a ma-**
12 **jority of the voting members of the task force.**

13 **(9) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chair-**
14 **person.**

15 **(10) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority**
16 **shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.**

17 **(11) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the**
18 **call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the**
19 **task force.**

20 **(12) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of**
21 **the task force.**

22 **(13) The authority shall provide staff support to the task force.**

23 **(14) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task**
24 **force are nonvoting members of the task force and may act in an ad-**
25 **visory capacity only.**

26 **(15) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legis-**
27 **lative Assembly are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement**
28 **for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force.**

29 **(16) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are**
30 **directed to assist the task force in the performance of the task force's**
31 **duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality,**

1 to furnish information and advice the members of the task force con-
2 sider necessary to perform their duties.

3 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on December 31,
4 2021.

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