SB 815 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires memory care facilities and assisted living facilities to provide written notice to applicants for admission and current residents at specified times regarding available services, rates, levels of care, and eligibility or changes to services, rates, levels of care, and eligibility. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued. FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Potential misrepresentation of facility services
- Current rules governing marketing
- Adequate notice for changes in policy versus change in condition of patient

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Replaces measure. Requires residential care facilities to provide specified information to individuals at the time the individual applies for admission to the facility and upon request. Specifies form and manner in which required information must be provided.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Human Services licenses community-based care settings, including assisted living facilities (ALF), residential care facilities (RLF), and memory care communities. These facilities make a wide range of individualized services available in a homelike setting to older adults, people with disabilities, and individuals with dementia or Alzheimer's disease.

Senate Bill 815 requires memory care and assisted living facilities to provide written notice regarding services, rates, levels of care, and eligibility.