

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 23 - A

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Measure Description:

Authorizes Oregon Health Authority to obtain emergency department discharge abstract records. Allows Oregon Health Authority to contract with third party vendor to compile records.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Analysis:

SB 23 authorizes the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to obtain from each hospital licensed to operate in Oregon, or from a third party working on behalf with the hospital, certain discharge records. The measure allows OHA to establish fees to defray the costs of compiling and abstracting these records. The measure also allows OHA to contract with a third party to receive and process these records.

OHA estimates the fiscal impact of this measure to be \$150,000 General Fund per biennium to contract with an outside vendor to compile, process, and abstract discharge data from general acute care hospitals in Oregon.

Policy Option Package 416 of the agency’s 2019-21 requested budget includes \$150,000 General Fund to support a contract for hospital emergency department discharge data delivery.