



Open Government Impact Statement

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SUMMARY

Modifies terms “venereal disease” and “sexually transmitted disease” to “sexually transmitted infection.” Clarifies hearings procedure for certificates of need for certain health care facilities. Authorizes Oregon Health Authority to collaborate with federal agencies for purposes of enforcement of laws regulating tobacco products and inhalant delivery systems. Clarifies complaint and investigation processes for certain regulated health professions. Includes representative from public safety answering point among membership of State Trauma Advisory Board and area trauma advisory boards. Replaces term “local health department” with “local public health authority.” Exempts persons who process marijuana into medical cannabinoid products and cannabinoid concentrates from certain tracking requirements. Modifies application requirements for authorizations to practice art therapy, music therapy, lactation consultation or respiratory therapy or to practice as emergency medical services provider or environmental health specialist trainee. Requires applicant for construction of certain public pools to submit plan to authority for approval.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure makes certain investigative reports received by the Health Licensing Office exempt from public disclosure.

If the public records were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the Health Licensing Office would likely receive fewer complaints regarding health care licensees and would find it more difficult to investigate those complaints. However, the public would also be able to obtain additional information regarding complaints and investigations by the Health Licensing Office, including information relating to complaints that could not be substantiated.