

SB 735 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 04/08/19

Action: Do pass with amendments and requesting referral to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Engrossed.)

Vote: 5-0-0-0

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Fagan, Knopp, Linthicum, Monnes Anderson

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/4, 4/3, 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Changes Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee to Health Quality Metrics Committee (HQMC). Adds three new members to HQMC representing oral health, rural hospitals, and insurers offering health benefit plans to small businesses. Applies HQMC measures to coordinated care organizations, hospital inpatient and outpatient services, and health care paid for by health benefit plans. Requires HQMC to identify the category of services to which each measure applies and allows HQMC to recommend a core set of measures to be adopted for all categories of service. Requires that HQMC align identified health outcome and quality measures with statewide strategic goals for the improvement of health and health care.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Use of quality metrics in reaching the Triple Aim
- Number of metrics utilized
- Alignment of metrics used among payers

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 440 (2015) required the Oregon Health Policy Board (OHPB) to develop a statewide strategic plan for the collection and use of health care data. The bill also established the Health Plan Quality Metrics Committee (HPQMC) and charged it with identifying health outcomes and quality measures that could be applied to services provided by coordinated care organizations and health benefit plans sold through the health insurance exchange or offered by the Oregon Educators Benefit Board or Public Employees' Benefit Board. Senate Bill 440 required that the measures developed by HPQMC align with OHPB's statewide strategic plan for health.

Senate Bill 735-A expands membership on the Health Quality Metrics Committee and applies adopted measures to coordinated care organizations, hospital inpatient and outpatient services, and health care paid for by health benefit plans.