

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

Measure: HB 2600 - A

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Date: May 30, 2019**Measure Description:**

Requires long term care facilities, conversion facilities and residential care facilities providing care to six or more residents to adopt specified protocols and procedures regarding preventing and reporting disease outbreaks.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Human Services (DHS), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Long Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO)

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

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

**Summary of Expenditure Impact - Department of Human Services:**

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
Other Funds - Quality Care Fund		
Personal Services	206,271	275,028
Services and Supplies	48,957	59,961
<b>Total Other Funds</b>	<b>\$255,228</b>	<b>\$334,989</b>
Federal Funds		
Personal Services	206,271	275,028
Services and Supplies	48,138	58,866
<b>Total Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$254,409</b>	<b>\$333,894</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$509,637</b>	<b>\$668,883</b>
Positions	3	3
FTE	2.25	3.00

**Summary of Revenue Impact - Department of Human Services:**

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
Inspection Fees		
Other Funds	82,500	110,000
<b>Total Other Funds</b>	<b>\$82,500</b>	<b>\$110,000</b>

**Analysis:**

HB 2600 requires long term care facilities, conversion facilities, and residential care facilities providing care to six or more residents to adopt protocols and procedures for preventing and reporting disease outbreaks. These facilities must designate a qualified person with specialized training to be responsible for the protocols, and to serve as a contact for the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) regarding outbreaks. The bill also requires the Long Term Care Ombudsman to notify the licensing agency about any disease outbreak reported to the Ombudsman and to train designees on how to identify and report outbreaks. Passage of the measure will require DHS to:

- Prescribe, by rule, in consultation with OHA, the requirements for training on how to prevent and contain outbreaks, and the responsibility of staff members to report outbreaks. The measure stipulates the timing of the training and requires that DHS make online training available.
- Communicate regularly with facilities to recommend best practices and protocols for preventing and responding to disease outbreaks.
- Provide notification to facilities in a community where there is an elevated risk of outbreak.
- Conduct annual onsite inspections of facilities' kitchens and food preparation areas. This inspection is in addition to other inspections require by law.

#### Department of Human Services (DHS)

DHS estimates the fiscal impact of this bill to be \$509,637 Total Funds [\$255,228 Other Funds + \$254,409 Federal Funds] and three positions (2.25 FTE) for the 2019-21 biennium; and \$668,883 Total Funds [\$334,989 Other Funds + \$333,894 Federal Funds]and three positions (3.00 FTE) for the 2021-23 biennium. DHS estimates there are approximately 275 facilities that will be subject to annual onsite inspections of kitchens and food preparation areas. To conduct these inspections, DHS anticipates establishing three permanent full-time Client Care Surveyor positions. The bill authorizes DHS to charge the facility a fee for inspection of up to \$200. Fees collected are to be deposited into the Quality Care Fund and continuously appropriated to DHS to conduct the required inspection of facilities' kitchens and food preparation areas. Estimated annual fee revenues are based on a \$200 annual fee assessed on 275 facilities. While the fees do not fully cover the cost of inspections, other Quality Care Fund revenues are projected to be available to cover the remainder.

DHS anticipates meeting the training requirements of the bill by incorporating these changes into contracts with the agency's training vendors at no additional costs.

#### Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Long Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO)

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have minimal fiscal impact to OHA, OJD, and LTCO.