Senate Bill 242

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires health benefit plan coverage of pregnancy care for surrogate mothers.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to maternity care; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 743A.080.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 743A.080 is amended to read:

743A.080. (1) As used in this section:

(a) “Childbirth” means labor and delivery.

(b) “Pregnancy care” means the care necessary to support a healthy pregnancy and care related to labor and delivery.

(c) “Surrogate” means a person who is impregnated by the artificial insemination or surgical implantation of a fertilized egg of another person.

(2) All health benefit plans as defined in ORS 743B.005 must provide payment or reimbursement for expenses associated with:

(a) Pregnancy care and childbirth. Benefits provided under this section shall be extended to all enrollees, enrolled spouses and enrolled dependents for all enrollees in the health benefit plan; and

(b) Pregnancy care for a surrogate of an enrollee in the health benefit plan.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 743A.080 by section 1 of this 2019 Act apply to policies or certificates of insurance issued, renewed or extended on or after the effective date of this 2019 Act.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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