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**To:** Human Services Subcommittee

**From:** Tom MacDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** June 17, 2021

**Subject:** SB 800 – Relating to health care  
Work Session Recommendations

SB 800 establishes the Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Program in the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to provide health care to employees of long-term care facilities, residential care facilities, and in-home care agencies. Employers must participate in the program and be a participating provider in the state medical assistance program. The measure creates the Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Program Trust Fund to reimburse the costs of health care provided under this program. OHA must hire a contractor to administer the program.

At this time, the number of participating employers, the level of health care coverage OHA is expected to provide, and what sort of cost-sharing is expected of employers. It is also not clear if Federal Funds will be available for this program. OHA will need to submit a state plan amendment to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in order to receive federal match. OHA would need two Operations and Program Analyst 3 positions to administer the program, update its Medicaid Management Information System, and pay for pay for contractual support.

The - A6 amendment removes a blank General Fund appropriation from the bill.

### **Recommended Changes**

LFO recommends adoption of the - A6 amendment.

### **Final Subcommittee Action**

LFO recommends that SB 800, as amended by the - A6 amendment, to be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

### **Carriers**

Full Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

House Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

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