### HB 3352 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

## **House Committee On Health Care**

**Action Date:** 04/13/21

**Action:** Do pass with amendments and be referred to

Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

**Vote:** 6-3-1-0

Yeas: 6 - Alonso Leon, Campos, Dexter, Prusak, Salinas, Schouten

Nays: 3 - Hayden, Moore-Green, Noble

Exc: 1 - Drazan

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/16, 4/13

## WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Renames Health Care for All Oregon Children program to Cover All People program. Expands Medicaid coverage to adult residents 19 years or older regardless of immigration status. Specifies eligibility criteria: adult, resident, income below 138 percent of federal poverty level (FPL) unless pregnant, at or below 190 percent FPL; ineligible for Medicaid or premium tax credits due to immigration status.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Recent Medicaid coverage expansions including Cover All Kids (2017)
- Access to services and affordable coverage among Oregon's immigrant and refugee communities
- Health equity, insurance coverage, and disproportionate rate of uninsured among communities of color
- Impact of COVID-19 among communities of color and medically underserved communities

## **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

Renames Health Care for All Oregon Children program to Cover All People program. Removes proposed eligibility requirements for Cover All People: income below 138 percent of federal poverty level (FPL) unless pregnant, at or below 190 percent FPL; ineligible for Medicaid or premium tax credits due to immigration status. Specifies OHA is responsible for "education and engagement" for Cover All People program. Adds "Cover All People" to the statutory definition of "medical assistance" (ORS 414.025). Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to analyze and evaluate Cover All People program. Allows OHA and Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to seek federal approval including waivers to maximize federal financial participation. Specifies implementation is not contingent on federal waivers or approval.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Oregon Health Plan (OHP) provides health coverage to individuals and families through federal Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). In 2009, the legislature passed House Bill 2116, establishing the Health Care for All Oregon Children (Healthy Kids) program that made coverage available to children and adolescents (0-18) whose family earns up to 300 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL). According to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), in 2019, approximately 97 percent of children and teens (0-18) were enrolled in health coverage. Among the remaining uninsured, 61 percent were identified as eligible for Medicaid but not enrolled.

Passed in 2017, Senate Bill 558 (Cover All Kids) extended OHP to all children residing in Oregon, regardless of immigration status below 300 percent of the federal poverty level. The measure also allocated funding to provide targeted, community-based outreach to assist with implementation through OHA's Community Partner Outreach

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Program (CPOP). According to OHA, at the end of the 2017-2019 biennium, nearly 5,900 children had enrolled in OHP-Cover All Kids (2019).

House Bill 3352 A expands Medicaid to adult residents 19 years or older regardless of immigration status and other qualifying criteria.