House Bill 2391

Sponsored by Representative PRUSAK (Presession filed.)

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 to reimburse licensed pharmacists for services associated with dispensing of covered drugs that are within pharmacist's scope of practice.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to pharmacists; amending ORS 743A.051.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 743A.051 is amended to read:

743A.051. [Notwithstanding any provisions of a health benefit plan as defined in ORS 743B.005, whenever the plan provides for payment or reimbursement for a service that is within the lawful scope of practice of a pharmacist, the insurer:

(1) May provide payment or reimbursement for the service when the service is provided by a pharmacist; and

(2) Shall provide payment or reimbursement for:

(a) The prescription of emergency refills of insulin and associated insulin-related devices and supplies as described in ORS 689.696; and

(b) The service provided by the pharmacist.]

(1) As used in this section, “health benefit plan” has the meaning given that term in ORS 743B.005.

(2) A health benefit plan shall reimburse a licensed pharmacist for:

(a) Prescribing, dispensing or administering a covered drug if the pharmacist is authorized by ORS 689.645 or 689.655 or other state law to prescribe, dispense or administer the drug; and

(b) The assessment of the patient and other services within the lawful scope of practice of a pharmacist that are related to prescribing, dispensing or administering a covered drug.

(3) This section is exempt from ORS 743A.001.

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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