

House Bill 2391

Sponsored by Representative PRUSAK (Pre-session 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

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2 Relating to pharmacists; amending ORS 743A.051.

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

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

5 743A.051. [*Notwithstanding any provisions of a health benefit plan as defined in ORS 743B.005,*
6 *whenever the plan provides for payment or reimbursement for a service that is within the lawful scope*
7 *of practice of a pharmacist, the insurer:]*

8 [(1) *May provide payment or reimbursement for the service when the service is provided by a*
9 *pharmacist; and]*

10 [(2) *Shall provide payment or reimbursement for:]*

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

13 [(b) *The service provided by the pharmacist.]*

14 (1) **As used in this section, "health benefit plan" has the meaning given that term in ORS**
15 **743B.005.**

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

17 (a) **Prescribing, dispensing or administering a covered drug if the pharmacist is author-**
18 **ized by ORS 689.645 or 689.655 or other state law to prescribe, dispense or administer the**
19 **drug; and**

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

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