A BILL FOR AN ACT
Relating to proton beam therapy; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 743A.130.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 743A.130 is amended to read:

743A.130. (1) A health benefit plan, as defined in ORS 743B.005, that provides coverage of radiation therapy for the treatment of prostate cancer must provide coverage for proton beam therapy for the treatment of prostate cancer on a basis no less favorable than the coverage of radiation therapy.

(2) The coverage of proton beam therapy under subsection (1) of this section may be subject to prior authorization, as defined in ORS 743B.001, or other utilization review, as defined in ORS 743B.001, if the prior authorization or utilization review applied to proton beam therapy is no more restrictive than the prior authorization or utilization review applied to radiation therapy.

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

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 743A.130 by section 1 of this 2021 Act apply to policies and certificates of insurance issued, renewed or extended on or after the effective date of this 2021 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.