

HB 3381 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA), in collaboration with Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS), Public Employees' Benefit Board and Oregon Educators Benefit Board, to design one or more health benefit plans to offer to public employees in 2023 plan year. Requires plans meet federal requirements necessary for the plans to be offered as qualified health plans on the health insurance exchange or a Small Business Health Options Program. Requires OHA to report to the Legislative Assembly on development of plans by March 1, 2022. Requires DCBS to contract with an insurer to offer plans to public employees, local governments, special districts and employers with 25 employees or less and to individuals and families in Oregon through health insurance exchange. Sunsets January 2, 2024. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Health Authority administers many of the state's health programs, including the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), the Public Employees' Benefit Board (PEBB), and Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB). Together these programs provide coverage for nearly 1.5 million Oregonians, or one-third of the state's population. The Department of Consumer and Business Services administers the Oregon Health Insurance Marketplace which offers individual health insurance plans that meet federal Affordable Care Act requirements. Over 140,000 Oregonians receive health insurance coverage through the Marketplace.

House Bill 3381 directs the Oregon Health Authority to collaborate with the Department of Consumer and Business Services to design health benefit plans available on the Marketplace for public employees beginning with the 2023 play year.