

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2397

Relating to emergency medical services for residents in long term care settings

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Knopp

HB 2397 establishes the Senior Emergency Medical Services Innovation Program in the Department of Human Services. The program is to select, fund, and monitor local public sector pilot projects to improve senior emergency medical services in Oregon. This measure also establishes the 10-member Senior Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, to advise DHS on pilot projects.

The program will be funded by the DHS Quality Care Fund. DHS anticipates hiring one new full-time Administrative Specialist 2, to assist with setting up this program. DHS may need to return to the Legislative Emergency Board or a subsequent legislative session to request expenditure limitation to fund pilot projects, once projects are selected.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends HB 2397 be reported out do pass.