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Measure Description:

Directs Department of Consumer and Business Services, Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Employment Department to enter into intergovernmental agreement for disclosure of data related to outbreak of COVID-19 in workplaces to enable department to inform beneficiaries of rights to workers' compensation death benefits.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Employment Department (OED), Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS), Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Analysis:

<Revised to note that agency can absorb costs>

This measure would require the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) and the Oregon Employment Department (OED) to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to share information necessary to enable DCBS to inform beneficiaries of their rights. This measure directs OHA to share the minimum necessary information regarding deaths from to COVID-19 associated with workplace outbreaks. No later than December 15, 2022, DCBS in consultation with OED and OHA, shall submit a report to the Legislative Assembly on implementation. This measure declares emergency, effective on passage.

OHA estimates that this measure will have a fiscal impact of \$159,759 General Fund and \$50,723 Other Funds, one permanent part-time position (0.50 FTE) for the 2021-23 minimum and \$147,542 General Fund and \$38,506 Other Funds, part-time position (0.50 FTE) for the 2023-25 biennium. This part-time Research Analyst 2 will be established in the Public Health Division within OHA to assist the agency in compiling COVID-19 data associated with workplace outbreaks. The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that these costs can likely be absorbed by the agency.

There is a minimal fiscal impact for the Oregon Employment Department and Department of Consumer and Business Services.