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To: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee

From: Ben Ruef, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: May 30, 2023

Subject: SB 1089 – Relating to Universal Health Governance Plan Board
Work Session Recommendations

Senate Bill 1089 establishes the Universal Health Plan Governance Board within the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS). The Board will consist of nine members appointed by the Governor to represent various health care professions and community perspectives. The Board is tasked with designing the administrative structure for the Universal Health Plan, assessing institutional readiness, and collaborating with stakeholders such as hospitals, healthcare providers, insurers, and coordinated care organizations. They are also required to develop a plan for establishing an independent public corporation and a separate trust fund. The Board will provide annual reports to the Legislative Assembly beginning December 1st, 2024 and present a comprehensive plan for Universal Health Plan implementation to the Legislative Assembly and the Governor by September 15, 2026.

DCBS is expected to incur a fiscal impact of \$1.4 million General Fund in the 2023-25 biennium. This includes costs associated with supporting the Universal Health Plan Governance Board. The estimated expenses for positions and services and supplies are as follows:

- A full-time permanent Compliance and Regulatory Manager 2 position (0.92 FTE) serving as the executive director, overseeing contract administration, and managing the legislative report.
- A full-time permanent Administrative Specialist 2 position (0.88 FTE) providing administrative support to the manager and facilitating meetings.
- A full-time permanent Operations and Policy Analyst 4 position (0.88 FTE) assisting with contract administration, conducting legal research, and collecting data.
- Services and supplies cost totaling \$792,132 for professional expertise contracts, administrative services, board member expense reimbursement, and Attorney General costs.

The fiscal impact on the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) amounts to \$412,870 General Fund. This will fund two full-time limited duration positions, totaling 1.50 FTE. The positions include:

- A full-time limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 4 position (0.75 FTE) serving as the subject matter expert on OHA's federal waivers and impacted programs for the Board.
- A full-time limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position (0.75 FTE) assisting with interagency coordination and policy development.

The total fiscal impact of SB 1089 is \$1,855,446 in General Fund and 5 positions (4.18 FTE).

The -A2 amendment adds \$1,442,576 in General Fund to the DCBS budget and \$412,870 in General Fund to the OHA budget for the 2023-25 biennium.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the –A2 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A2 amendment to SB 1089. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 1089, as amended by the –A2 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 1089, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____