

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2002 Relating to health

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Valderrama

HB 2002 declares an individual's decision regarding their reproductive health as a fundamental right and provides clarification as to the extent of these rights and options available when these rights are violated.

The measure directs student health centers operated by an institution of higher education to provide reproductive health services and submit plans and reporting with guidance from the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). The Student Health Center Reproductive Health Grant Fund is established, and OHA is directed to provide grants to public institutions of higher education from defined funding sources.

The bill restricts private and public benefit plans from denying or limiting coverage for gender-affirming treatment or issuing adverse benefit determinations with exceptions.

A Federal Qualified Health Center Expansion Pilot Project is established in the Higher Education Coordination Commission and administered by the Office of Rural Health to provide grants to two health centers located in rural and medically underserved areas of the state.

The estimated fiscal impact for the 2023-25 biennium is approximately \$6.2 million total funds and \$4.5 million General Fund and includes 3 positions (2.00 FTE). This represents OHA contract costs for a physician specialist to assist with gender affirming care services,

one full-time position (0.75 FTE) to facilitate and coordinate the student health center requirements, and 2 limited duration positions (1.25 FTE) to manage the grants to student health centers for the 2023-25 biennium. Also included is one-time funding for the Student Health Center Reproductive Health Grant Fund and Qualified Health Center Expansion Pilot Project.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends HB 2002 be amended by the -A16 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.