

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **SB 1578 Relating to Health Care Interpreters**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee  
Carrier: Senator Campos

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SB 1578 directs the Oregon Health Authority to establish and maintain a health care interpreter management system to allow online scheduling of health care interpreters for health care providers and coordinated care organizations, and to process billing and payments for services rendered. The Health Authority is also directed to contract with a nonprofit entity to develop and administer a health care interpreter recruitment and retention program.

The recommended amendments narrow the purpose of the interpreter management system to services for Oregon Health Plan members, provide budgetary authority for the contracted services, the review and resolution of technical implementation problems surrounding the health care management system, and development of a recommended implementation plan.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends SB 1578 be amended by the –A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.