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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act prohibits OHA from enforcing the Health Care Cost Growth Target program for 10 years. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Prohibits the Oregon Health Authority from taking enforcement actions against providers or payers under the Health Care Cost Growth Target program before January 1, 2036.

Sunsets January 2, 2036.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to health care cost growth; creating new provisions; repealing section 7, chapter 51, Oregon Laws 2021; and prescribing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “health care cost growth,” “payer” and “provider” have the meanings given those terms in ORS 442.385.

(2) For a provider or payer that exceeds the health care cost growth target established under ORS 442.386 during calendar years 2021 to 2035, the Oregon Health Authority may not do any of the following before January 1, 2036:

(a) Analyze the cause for exceeding the health care cost growth target;

(b) Require the provider or payer to develop or undertake a performance improvement plan; or

(c) Impose a financial penalty.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2026 Act is repealed on January 2, 2036.

SECTION 3. Section 7, chapter 51, Oregon Laws 2021, is repealed.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **SECTION 4. This 2026 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date**
2 **on which the 2026 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative As-**
3 **sembly adjourns sine die.**

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