

HB 3942 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) to provide an expedited relicensure process for health care facilities in specified circumstances. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Detailed Summary:

- Requires OHA and DHS to provide an expedited relicensure process for health care facilities that:
 - Were previously licensed in last 24 months;
 - Closed voluntarily due to financial hardship;
 - Will operate in the same location with no major changes; and
 - New operator is in good standing.
- Requires expedited relicensure process to issue licensure within 45 days if conditions are met, permit facility to resume operations under a provisional license while relicensure application is in process, and grant waivers for constructions, inspection, and certification as appropriate.
- Takes effect 91st day following adjournment sine die.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Health Authority's Health Facility Licensing & Certification Program (HFLC) is responsible for licensing and regulating certain types of non-long term care health care facilities. Facilities regulated by the HFLC include hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, federally qualified health centers, and rural health clinics. The Oregon Department of Human Services is responsible for licensing and regulating long term care facilities, including adult foster home, residential care facilities, assisted living facilities, and nursing homes.

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