



Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: SB 842

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SUMMARY

Digest: Raises for hospitals the annual license fees to be paid to OHA. Repeals fees for compliance actions. Allows assessment of a late fee for a hospital that fails to pay a renewal license fee. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.9).

Increases for hospitals the annual license fees to be obtained by the Oregon Health Authority. Repeals fees that the Oregon Health Authority may charge for investigation and compliance activities. Allows the assessment of a late fee for a hospital that fails to pay a renewal license fee.

Makes confidential and not subject to public disclosure information obtained by the Oregon Health Authority or the Department of Human Services during an intake or triage of a complaint or reported violation regarding the standard of care in a health care facility.

Allows the Oregon Health Authority to accept a certification or accreditation from a federal agency or an accrediting body if a health care facility provides to the authority copies of summary documentation concerning the certification or accreditation.

Takes effect on October 1, 2025.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure makes confidential and exempts from public disclosure information obtained by the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority during the intake and triage of a complaint or reported violation made by an employee of a health care facility regarding inappropriate care or any violation of law or rule.

If those public records that could be subject to public disclosure were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the public could gain information about reported violations and complaints made by employees of health care facilities prior to the start of investigations.