House Bill 2798

Sponsored by Representative NELSON; Senator MANNING JR (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.** The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Makes a hospital or hospital system in this state make public its expenses from the prior year. Allows the OHA to impose penalties for failure to comply with the law. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).

Requires a hospital licensed or hospital system operating in this state to make publicly available its expenses from the preceding year.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to health care.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 442.
 - SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "hospital system" means:
 - (a) A parent corporation of one or more hospitals and any entity affiliated with the parent corporation through ownership, governance, control or membership; or
 - (b) A hospital and any entity affiliated with the hospital through ownership, governance, control or membership.
 - (2) A hospital licensed in this state or a hospital system operating in this state shall make publicly available on the hospital's or hospital system's website, and update annually, the hospital's or hospital system's expenses for the preceding year, including salary and benefit information for each classification of employee and for individual executives.
 - (3) If a hospital or hospital system does not have a website, the information described in subsection (2) of this section must be made available in hard copy form in each reception area of the hospital or hospital system.
 - (4) A hospital or hospital system may use the format of the Internal Revenue Service Form 990 to provide information described in subsection (2) of this section.
 - (5) The Oregon Health Authority shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Prescribing definitions for the classifications of employees and other terms used in subsection (2) of this section; and
 - (b) Civil penalties that may be imposed in accordance with ORS 183.745 for a hospital's or a hospital system's failure to comply with the requirements of this section.

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