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To: Human Services Subcommittee
From: Matt Stayner, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: February 23, 2026
Subject: HB 4115 – Relating to health care providers
Work Session Recommendations

The measure extends the period during which the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) can complete a criminal records check from an 18-month period to three years. DHS and OHA are prohibited from requiring a new criminal records check solely due to a change of employer or care setting, if a valid criminal records check exists. The measure directs OHA and DHS to notify all impacted facilities and organizations within 90 days of the measure's effective date.

The measure directs coordinated care organizations (CCOs) to reimburse behavioral health services retroactively to the date the behavioral health provider submitted a request to OHA for enrollment in the state medical assistance program. OHA is directed to provide resources on their website advising behavioral health providers on the process to update their contact information and when these changes may be required.

The House Committee on Behavioral Health adopted the -3 amendments to the introduced bill and passed the bill to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means. The engrossed version of the bill has a minimal impact on OHA and ODHS, and an indeterminate fiscal impact on the Oregon State Police due to the likely decrease in revenues resulting from the extension of the period of time between required background checks.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 4115 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 4115 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation.
(vote)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____