

HB 4088 B STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Thatcher

Senate Committee On Judiciary

Minority Report

Action Date: 02/25/26

Action: Do pass with amendments to the A-Eng bill. (Printed B-Eng.) Minority

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

Report Signers: Sen. Thatcher, Sen. Mclane

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Meeting Dates: 2/23, 2/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure defines “gender-affirming treatment” as a procedure, service, drug, device, or product that a physical or behavioral health care provider prescribes to treat a person for incongruence between the person’s gender identity and sex assigned at birth. It directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to study the long-term outcomes of gender-affirming treatment provided to minors in Oregon. The measure requires OHA to submit a report to the legislative health care committees by September 15, 2027. The act sunsets on January 2, 2028.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Accountability for medical providers who care for minors
- Youth access to health care
- Research access to de-identified data
- Protecting individuals who provide legal health care in Oregon

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

The amendment replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

In 2023, the Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 2002, which required coverage of gender-affirming treatments by the state’s medical assistance program and health insurers.