HB 2902-1 (LC 2120) 2/27/13 (LHF/ps)

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2902

1 Delete lines 5 through 19 of the printed bill and insert:

<sup>2</sup> "SECTION 1. ORS 743A.036 is amended to read:

<sup>3</sup> "743A.036. (1) Whenever any policy of health insurance provides for re-<sup>4</sup> imbursement for any service which is within the lawful scope of practice of <sup>5</sup> a [*duly licensed and*] certified nurse practitioner, including prescribing or <sup>6</sup> dispensing drugs, the insured under the policy is entitled to reimbursement <sup>7</sup> for such service whether it is performed by a physician licensed by the <sup>8</sup> Oregon Medical Board or by a [*duly licensed*] **certified** nurse practitioner.

9 "(2) A health insurer shall reimburse a certified nurse practitioner, 10 for primary care and mental health services within the scope of prac-11 tice of the certified nurse practitioner, in the same amount as the re-12 imbursement paid to a licensed physician performing the service if the 13 service is performed within:

"(a) An area outside the boundaries of a metropolitan statistical
 area;

"(b) Thirty or more highway miles from the closest hospital that is
 within a major population center in a metropolitan statistical area;

18 "(c) A county with a population of less that 75,000 residents;

19 "(d) An area with limited access to telemedicine services; or

"(e) An area where there is evidence that primary care and mental
 health services are not readily accessible.

<sup>22</sup> "(3) If a service is performed in an area not described in subsection

(2) of this section, a health insurer shall reimburse a certified nurse
practitioner, for primary care and mental health services within the
scope of practice of the certified nurse practitioner, in an amount not
less than 85 percent of the amount paid by Medicare for the service
on the date of the service.

6 "[(2)] (4) This section does not apply to group practice health mainte-7 nance organizations that are federally qualified pursuant to Title XIII of the 8 Health Maintenance Organization Act.".

9 In line 22, delete "physician assistants or".

10 In line 25, delete "physician assistants or".

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