

MEMORANDUM

To: Chair Mitch Greenlick, House Health Care Committee Vice Chair Ron Nosse, House Health Care Committee Vice Chair Cedric Hayden, House Health Care Committee Members of the committee

From: Courtni Dresser, OMA Government Relations

Date: February 16, 2015

Re: Support for HB 2828

The OMA supports HB 2828 to extend the timeframe for the Oregon Health Authority to conduct a study options for financing health care in our state. OMA supported the original legislation, HB 3260, during the 2013 Legislative Session and have donated to finance the study.

We believe that conducting a comparative health care financing study of existing and new financing strategies makes sense. The results of this study could serve to strengthen the existing CCO system, as well as identify other innovative strategies to provide cost-effective care to all Oregonians.

The OMA encourages the committee to support HB 2828 and ensure that the study is not only robust but also and well and appropriately funded.

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