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Measure Description:

Expands definition of "hospital facility" to include behavioral treatment facilities and family safety facilities in regard to local public authorities created to finance hospital facilities.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

House Bill 3132 expands the definition of "hospital facility" to include behavioral treatment facilities and family safety facilities in the context of local public authorities created to finance hospital facilities. The bill defines "behavioral treatment facility" and "family safety facility."

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact to the Oregon Health Authority's Medical Assistance Program. At this time, this impact cannot be quantified.

To the extent local public authorities exercise their right to create behavioral treatment facilities, Oregon Health Plan clients could have additional access to mental health and addiction treatment services through new facilities. If any such facilities are more than 16 beds, the Oregon Health Authority would not be able to claim federal matching funds under Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Federal regulations prohibit federal match for individuals residing in institutions of more than 16 beds that are primarily engaged in providing diagnosis, treatment or care of individuals with mental illness or substance use disorders.