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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to administer program to provide loans to hospitals for establishing new primary care residency programs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC)

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:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting House Bill 3356 with the – 4 amendment from the House Committee on Health Care to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The bill allocates \$50 million of Lottery Funds from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for the 2015-17 biennium, and requires OHA to administer a program to provide loans, of up to \$3 million, to hospitals for making capital expenditures to establish new primary care residency programs that are sponsored by accredited medical schools or osteopathic post-graduate training institutions. In addition, the bill transfers the authority to establish and administer a cost-sharing program to train residency physicians from the Oregon Student Assistance Commission [formerly the Office of Student Access and Completion] (OSAC) to OHA. The bill limits the cost-sharing program to the start-up costs for family practice and psychiatry residencies that are sponsored by accredited medical schools or osteopathic post-graduate training institutions. The bill also appropriates an unspecified amount of General Fund to OHA for the 2015-17 biennium to cover operating costs for the cost-sharing program.

The bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact on the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC); the amount of this impact is still being determined.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required