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Measure Description:

Establishes the Newborn Bloodspot Screening Advisory Board within the Oregon Health Authority.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Analysis:

HB 2563 with the -1 amendment establishes the 13-voting-member Newborn Bloodspot Screening Advisory Board within the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). The bill allows members of the Legislature and employees of OHA to serve as non-voting members. Voting members of the board are entitled to compensation and reimbursement of expenses. The board is required to meet once every six months. The board must conduct its first meeting and report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by December 15, 2019. The board must report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by September 15th of each even-numbered year. The bill does not contain a sunset clause.

OHA estimates the cost of facilitating and supporting the board to be \$64,132 Other Funds per biennium. This amount includes \$50,000 in professional services cost to contract with a facilitator, \$2,227 in meeting expenses, and \$11,905 in projected member reimbursement expenses. OHA anticipates using Newborn Screening program fees budgeted for modernization efforts to cover board expenditures.