

SB 941 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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Meeting Dates: 3/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$2,000,000 to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for distribution to Curry Health District for purposes of opening an emergency room in Curry Medical Center and acquiring an ambulance for transport related to maternity care. Declares emergency, effective on July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Removes \$300,000 appropriation for ambulance acquisition.

BACKGROUND:

Curry Health District (a.k.a. Curry Health Network) is a special health district comprised of a hospital and several medical clinics located on the southern Oregon coast. Curry General Hospital in Gold Beach, a critical access hospital and the sole hospital in Curry County, is your community hospital; Curry Medical Practice is located in the hospital, and Curry Medical West is off-campus in Gold Beach. Curry Medical Center with primary, specialty and same day care services is located in Brookings, and Curry Family Medical serves Port Orford.

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