

## HB 2600 -7 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Health Care

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Defines terms. Requires long-term and residential care facilities to prevent and report disease outbreaks and provide employee training. Permits Department of Human Services (DHS), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), and Department of Justice to establish training requirements for facilities. Specifies minimum training criteria. Authorizes OHA to inspect facilities for compliance. Authorizes DHS to not issue or renew a license unless OHA confirms compliance of facility. Permits OHA, DHS to enter into cooperative agreement for inspection of facilities.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-7 Replaces measure. **Section 1:** defines key terms. Requires administrator and employees of specified facilities to receive training to recognize disease outbreaks and infection control at the time of hiring, unless, individual received training at another facility no later than 18 months before the time of hiring, or annually as part of the administrator or employee's continuing education requirements. Authorizes DHS, in consultation with OHA, to establish requirements for the training in rule. Specifies training is to be provided in person, in writing, by webinar, or other electronic means. Requires specified facilities to establish and maintain infection prevention and control protocols to provide safe, sanitary and comfortable environment, and prevent development and transmission of communicable diseases. Requires a facility to designate an individual to be responsible for infection prevention and disease control protocols. Requires DHS, in coordination with OHA, to communicate regularly with facility administrators on best practices and prevention protocols. Authorizes DHS, in consultation with OHA to provide notifications to facilities in a community where there an elevated risk of an infections disease outbreak. **Section 2:** Requires DHS to annually inspect the kitchen of a facility and other areas where food is prepared, except in a year when DHS has scheduled a survey. Allows DHS to charge the facility an inspection fee of up to \$200. Prohibits DHS or OHA from denying or delaying a license or refusing renewal of a license for a facility's first failure to pass inspection, or if the agency fails to conduct inspection in a timely manner. Requires fees collected for inspections are continuously appropriated to conduct ongoing inspections. Permits OHA to establish in rule when disease must be reported. **Sections 4-6:** Requires DHS upon receipt of a license fee and application to operate a specified facility to conduct on-site inspection of the kitchen and other areas where food is prepared for residents. **Section 8:** Requires Long Term Care Ombudsman to notify DHS or OHA about disease outbreaks reported by residents.

*REVENUE: No revenue impact.*

*FISCAL: Statement issued: further analysis required.*

#### BACKGROUND:

Long-term care facilities provide care and assistance for individuals that need help with activities of daily living, medication, and personal care. The Department of Human Services (DHS), Office of Licensing and Regulatory Oversight licenses long-term care facilities including residential care facilities. The Oregon Health Authority manages the state's public health functions from disease prevention and control to food safety and inspections.

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House Bill 2600 establishes new protocols and inspection requirements for long-term and residential care facilities to prevent disease outbreaks.