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To: Capital Construction Subcommittee
From: Tom MacDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: February 25, 2020
Subject: HB 4101 – Relating to medical assistance reimbursement of
telemedicine
Work Session Recommendations

House Bill 4101 requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to reimburse through Medicaid the cost of health services delivered using telemedicine and to adopt rules to ensure coordinated care organizations provide such reimbursement. The measure specifies OHA must take steps to carry out these provisions beginning July 1, 2021.

The bill will be implemented within OHA’s existing budgetary resources. Over the long-term, the fiscal impact resulting from changes in the utilization of telemedicine services is indeterminate. Health care savings could materialize should the increased use of telemedicine help more people prevent the onset of serious health conditions; this potential impact cannot be quantified at this time.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 4101 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

**MOTION: I move HB 4101 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation.
(VOTE)**

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____