

## HB 3011 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Health Care

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**Sub-Referral To:** Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Appropriates \$1.38 million to the Oregon Health Authority to fund the hospital nurse staffing program. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

*REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.*

*FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.*

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

##### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

##### **BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 469 passed in 2015, requiring Oregon each hospital to establish a hospital nurse staffing committee to develop a written hospital-wide staffing plan to ensure that the hospital is staffed to meet the health care needs of patients. In addition, the bill established the 12-member Nurse Staffing Advisory Board charged with advising the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) regarding administration and enforcement of staffing plans. The measure also requires OHA to audit individual hospitals every three years and make the findings publicly available. Hospitals found to be in violation of the administrative rules for nurse staffing services receive an audit report and must submit a plan of correction to OHA, which must be approved by the agency. OHA maintains and posts online any reports generated from nurse staffing surveys and complaint investigations.

House Bill 3011 appropriates funds to support the Oregon Health Authority's oversight and enforcement of hospital nurse staffing plans.