



Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 2359

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SUMMARY

Requires health care providers to work with health care interpreters from health care interpreter registry operated by Oregon Health Authority to provide interpretation services. Requires authority to adopt rules to enforce requirement. Provides exceptions.

Requires interpretation service companies to register with authority. Requires companies to only employ or contract with health care interpreters listed on health care registry, subject to exceptions. Requires Commissioner of Bureau of Labor and Industries to enforce requirement to only employ or contract with health care interpreters listed on registry.

Requires Oregon Council on Health Care Interpreters to adopt code of ethics for health care interpreters and procedures to evaluation quality of health interpretation services.

Requires authority to train and certify or qualify health care interpreters, maintain central registry of certified or qualified health care interpreters from which patients or health care providers can schedule appointments with health care interpreters and publish specified guidance to health care interpreters.

Requires coordinated care organizations to use health care interpreters listed on health care interpreter registry.

Makes certain health care interpreters subject workers for purposes of workers' compensation benefits.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

NOTICE OF NO OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT