

**SB 110 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Sen. Patterson

**Senate Committee On Health Care**

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**Action Date:** 02/24/21

**Action:** Do pass.

**Vote:** 4-1-0-0

**Yeas:** 4 - Beyer, Knopp, Manning Jr, Patterson

**Nays:** 1 - Heard

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/1, 2/24

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Repeals sunset on early discussion and resolution program for resolving adverse health care incidents.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Ability to seek resolution of serious harm events outside of legal system
- Initiation of Early Discussion and Resolution conversations by patients

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 483 (2013) established the Early Discussion and Resolution (EDR) program and charged the Oregon Patient Safety Commission with its administration. The EDR program establishes confidentiality protections for conversations between patients (or their representatives), health care providers, and facilities when care resulted in serious harm or death. Senate Bill 483 also created the Task Force on Resolution of Adverse Health Care Incidents (Task Force) to review and report on the EDR program. In 2020, the Task Force issued an evaluation of the EDR program from June 1, 2014 to June 30, 2020 and recommended the removal of the scheduled December 31, 2023 sunset of the EDR program contained in Senate Bill 483.

Senate Bill 110 repeals the sunset on the early discussion and resolution program for patients and health care providers.