

House Bill 2319

Sponsored by Representative SALINAS (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Department of Consumer and Business Services to study and make recommendations to interim committees of Legislative Assembly regarding current standard for network adequacy for health insurers and needed changes. Specifies factors to be considered.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to network adequacy; and prescribing an effective date.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall undertake an**
5 **examination of the current standard for network adequacy and recommend to the interim**
6 **committees of the Legislative Assembly relating to health, no later than September 15, 2022,**
7 **changes to ORS 743B.505 to address the issues created by the growth and dominance of**
8 **vertically integrated health care systems in this state and to address the factors described**
9 **in subsection (2) of this section.**

10 **(2) The department, starting from prior studies of network adequacy commissioned by**
11 **the department, shall examine:**

12 **(a) Through a health equity lens, whether different demographic groups have different**
13 **levels of access to health care and whether the ability to travel plays a role in access to**
14 **health care;**

15 **(b) How the now adult generation of millennial consumers access health care, including**
16 **whether they have a primary care doctor, utilize on-demand care options or are more likely**
17 **to visit neighborhood health clinics; and**

18 **(c) The relative value of independent urgent care clinics versus hospital visits or verti-**
19 **cally integrated urgent care clinics and whether the exclusion of independent clinics from**
20 **contracting with insurers has the effect of driving away relatively higher value care options.**

21 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.**

22 **SECTION 3. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021**
23 **regular session of the Eighty-first Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.