

Senate Bill 711

Sponsored by Senator PATTERSON

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 Oregon Health Authority to study cost differences in pharmaceuticals used primarily by men and pharmaceuticals used primarily by women and report findings to Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2022.

Sunset January 2, 2023.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to gender disparities in cost of pharmaceuticals; and prescribing an effective date.

3 Whereas the cost of pharmaceuticals taken primarily by women is frequently more expensive
4 than the cost of pharmaceuticals taken primarily by men; now, therefore,

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

6 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall conduct a study comparing the costs**
7 **of pharmaceuticals used primarily by women to the costs of pharmaceuticals used primarily**
8 **by men and the factors that contribute to any differences.**

9 **(2) The authority shall report the findings of its study to the Legislative Assembly, in the**
10 **manner provided in ORS 183.245, no later than September 15, 2022. The report shall include**
11 **recommendations for legislative changes, if necessary, to address disparities in the costs of**
12 **pharmaceuticals based on sex.**

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 Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.**

14 **SECTION 3. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021**
15 **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.