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Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE (at the request of Oregon Health Care Association)

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 800

In line 2 of the printed bill, after "care" insert "; and declaring an emergency".

3 Delete lines 4 through 12 and insert:

4 "<u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) As used in this section:

5 "(a) 'Eligible employer' means an operator of a facility that:

6 "(A) Participates in the state medical assistance program;

7 "(B) Has at least 100 employees; and

8 "(C) Elects to participate in the Oregon Essential Workforce Health

9 Care Program.

10 "(b) 'Facility' includes a:

11 "(A) Long term care facility, as defined in ORS 442.015;

12 "(B) Residential facility, as defined in ORS 443.400; and

"(C) Facility with a memory care endorsement as described in ORS
443.886.

15 "(2) The Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Program is es-16 tablished in the Oregon Health Authority. The authority shall use 17 moneys from the Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Program 18 Trust Fund created in section 2 of this 2021 Act to reimburse the cost 19 of health care provided to employees of eligible employers.

20 "(3) To participate in the program, an eligible employer shall:

21 "(a) Apply in the form and manner prescribed by the authority;

1 "(b) Agree to participate in evidence-based and data-driven 2 workforce and quality of care improvements designated by the au-3 thority;

4 "(c) Annually report to the authority, as prescribed by the author5 ity:

"(A) Metrics demonstrating that the eligible employer is partic ipating in the designated workforce and quality of care improvements;
 and

9 "(B) The benefits to the workforce of the eligible employer; and

10 "(d) Pay a fee prescribed by the authority.

"(4) The authority may adopt rules necessary to carry out the pro visions of this section.

"SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Pro gram Trust Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and
 distinct from the General Fund, consisting of:

"(a) Moneys appropriated to the Oregon Essential Workforce Health
 Care Program Trust Fund by the Legislative Assembly;

"(b) Fees paid by eligible employers under section 1 of this 2021 Act;
 and

"(c) Federal financial participation by the Centers for Medicare and
 Medicaid Services in the costs of the Oregon Essential Workforce
 Health Care Program established in section 1 of this 2021 Act.

"(2) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the
 Oregon Health Authority:

"(a) To reimburse the cost of health care provided to employees of
 eligible employers under section 1 of this 2021 Act; and

27 "(b) For the administration of section 1 of this 2021 Act.

"(3) Moneys in the Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Pro gram Trust Fund are retained in the fund and do not revert to the
 General Fund.

"SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority for deposit to the Oregon Essential Workforce Health Care Program Trust Fund, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, which may be expended for carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2021 Act.

"SECTION 4. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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