

SB 608 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Prohibits a health insurance plan or pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) from requiring claims for reimbursement of a prescription drug to include indicators that a drug is priced according to the 340B Pricing Program. For Oregon Health Plan (OHP) claims, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will adopt a dispensing fee paid to pharmacies and pharmacists dispensing drugs to OHP recipients.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure. Directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to conduct, every three years, a survey of retail pharmacy providers that are enrolled as Medicaid providers in the state medical assistance program. The survey shall determine the costs of the providers for dispensing prescription drugs, and if the survey indicates a change is needed in the professional dispensing fee reimbursement, OHA shall submit to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services a request for a state plan amendment to change the professional dispensing fee reimbursement.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 608 directs the Oregon Health Authority to Directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to survey the costs to providers of dispensing 340B prescription drugs, and if indicated by the survey, to request a state plan amendment to change the professional dispensing fee reimbursement.