

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 5526

Relating to state financial administration

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Valderrama

SB 5526 is the fee ratification bill for the Oregon Health Authority. Four different programs within OHA are establishing or increasing fees.

The Oregon Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program accredits drinking water, environmental, cannabis, and psilocybin labs based on national standards to ensure labs are following federal and state regulations. Fees for this program have not been increased since 1999 and anticipate \$1 million in increased revenue.

The Newborn Bloodspot Screening program is a coordinated public health system that identifies infants with medical conditions requiring early treatment to prevent death or disability. Some fees for this program were last addressed in 2019 and anticipate \$8.3 million in increased revenue.

The Oregon Psilocybin Services program administers the work of psilocybin services in Oregon. \$4.1 million in new fees have been established for the purpose of fully funding the program beyond July 2024.

The Health Care Market Oversight program ensures that health care business deals support statewide goals related to equity, cost, access, and quality and establishes new fees of \$1.2 million in 2023-25.

The -1 amendment to HB 5526 corrects a minor drafting error in the introduced bill and the amendment has no impact on the limitation requests accompanying these fees that were approved in SB 5525, OHA's primary budget bill.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 5526 be amended by the -1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.