

House Bill 2538

Sponsored by Representative REYNOLDS; Representative NELSON (Presession 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 health insurance coverage of health care interpretation services that are legally mandated.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to health care interpretation services; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of the Insurance Code.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) A policy or certificate of health insurance that reimburses the cost of**
6 **services delivered by a health care provider that is subject to the requirement to provide**
7 **health care interpretation services under ORS 413.559 shall reimburse the cost of the health**
8 **care interpretation services incurred by the provider in complying with ORS 413.559.**

9 **(2) This section is exempt from ORS 743A.001.**

10 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act applies to policies and certificates of health in-**
11 **urance issued, renewed or extended on or after the effective date of this 2023 Act.**

12 **SECTION 4. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023**
13 **regular session of the Eighty-second 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.