

# Senate Bill 463

Sponsored by Senator HANSELL (Pre-session 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**.

Prohibits health benefit plans from imposing prior authorization or other utilization review requirements on coverage of proton beam therapy that do not apply to coverage of radiation therapy.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to proton beam therapy; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 743A.130.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 743A.130 is amended to read:

5 743A.130. (1) A health benefit plan, as defined in ORS 743B.005, that provides coverage of radi-  
6 ation therapy for the treatment of prostate cancer must provide coverage for proton beam therapy  
7 for the treatment of prostate cancer on a basis no less favorable than the coverage of radiation  
8 therapy **including with respect to prior authorization or other utilization review**  
9 **requirements.**

10 *[(2) The coverage of proton beam therapy under subsection (1) of this section may be subject to*  
11 *prior authorization, as defined in ORS 743B.001, or other utilization review, as defined in ORS*  
12 *743B.001, if the prior authorization or utilization review applied to proton beam therapy is no more*  
13 *restrictive than the prior authorization or utilization review applied to radiation therapy.]*

14 *[(3)]* (2) This section is exempt from ORS 743A.001.

15 **SECTION 2.** **The amendments to ORS 743A.130 by section 1 of this 2023 Act apply to**  
16 **health benefit plans issued, renewed or extended on or after the effective date of this 2023**  
17 **Act.**

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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.