HB 4033 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Extends the long term care assessment for six years from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2032.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of the Long Term Care Facility assessment
- Federal matching
- Current assessment rate and rate setting mechanism
- Need for certainty and stability of Medicaid funding of long term care services in nursing facilities

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The current assessment on nursing facilities sunsets on June 30, 2026. The governing laws on the assessment are to be repealed on January 2, 2028. The last extension of the assessment occurred in the 2018 legislature when the sunset was moved by six years to June 30, 2026, from June 30, 2020. The governing laws were also extended by six years.

This measure moves the sunset of the assessment to June 30, 2032, and the repeal of the governing laws to January 2, 2034. The measure allows the Oregon Department of Human Services to continue collecting the assessment on nursing facilities for six more years. Nursing facility assessments will fetch matching federal funds to provide care for qualified Medicaid beneficiaries.