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Tina Kotek, Governor

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Senator WInsvey Campos, Co-Chair Representative Andrea Valderrama, Co-Chair Joint Ways and Means Human Services Sub-Committee 900 Court Street NE State Capitol Salem, OR 97301

SUBJECT: February 3 Joint Ways and Means Human Services Sub-Committee Questions

Dear Co-Chairs Campos and Valderrama, and Committee Members:

Please find below information requested by members of the Joint Ways and Means Human Services Sub-Committee at the February 3 meeting on Oregon's Medicaid program.

1. With Multnomah and Washington county banning flavored tobacco, what effect does or will this have on the Oregon tobacco tax?

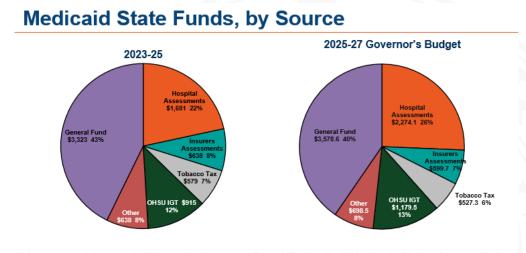
Department of Administrative Services Office of Economic Analysis hasn't built in the impact of flavored tobacco bans implemented by some Oregon counties into its revenue forecasts yet. The OHA budget is based on these forecasts and thus also doesn't yet reflect the revenue impact of these bans. The bans have been paused due to litigation and are now being reviewed by the Oregon Supreme Court (in the case of the Washington County ban) and the Oregon Court of Appeals (in the case of the Multnomah County ban).

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2. Slide 42 of the presentation shares data on Medicaid state funds disaggregated by source. Are these data inclusive of the Healthier Oregon Program?

Yes, the funds represented in the chart on slide 42 (included below) includes the Healthier Oregon Program.



Please do not hesitate to reach out if there are any further questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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