HB 3242 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Behavioral Health and Health Care

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires a health insurer to reimburse a provider who is joining a provider group that is in-network with the insurer at the in-network rate during the credentialing period.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Health insurers credential providers to help ensure the provider is qualified to receive reimbursement. During the credentialing process insurers verify the provider's education, training, experience, and licensure. Current Oregon law requires insurers to reimburse claims for services rendered during the credentialing period, specifying that the reimbursement rate should be the rate paid to nonparticipating providers.

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