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Bill Title: Relating to tribal affiliation data; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Commission on Indian Services, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Authority, Klamath Tribes, Burns Paiute Tribe

Summary of Fiscal Impact

| 2025-27 Biennium | General Fund | Lottery Funds | Other Funds | Federal Funds | Total Funds | Positions | FTE |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Oregon Health Authority | \$ 395,772 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 75,383 | \$ 471,155 | 2 | 1.50 |
| Department of Human Services | \$ 207,000 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | - | - |
| Total Fiscal Impact | \$ 395,772 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 75,383 | \$ 471,155 | 2 | 1.50 |
| 2027-29 Biennium | General Fund | Lottery Funds | Other Funds | Federal Funds | Total Funds | Positions | FTE |
| Oregon Health Authority | \$ 523,080 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 99,634 | \$ 622,714 | 2 | 2.00 |
| Department of Human Services | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | - | - |
| Total Fiscal Impact | \$ 523,080 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 99,634 | \$ 622,714 | 2 | 2.00 |

Measure Description

The measure requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the nine federally recognized tribes in Oregon to adopt uniform standards for collecting, storing, and using tribal affiliation data relating to REALD (Race, Ethnicity, and Language Disability) and SOGI (Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity). Until these standards are adopted, OHA is prohibited from collecting, storing, or using any tribal affiliation data. Following the adoption of standards, OHA may only release confidential tribal affiliation data if the authority has established a written agreement with the affected tribe.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact is estimated to be \$395,772 General Fund and \$75,383 Federal Funds in the 2025-27 biennium and \$523,080 General Fund and \$99,634 Federal Funds in the 2027-29 biennium.

Oregon Health Authority

The measure will require a new data field in the electronic health record system as data on tribal affiliation is not currently collected. Policies and procedures will be developed to ensure data fields are not shared unless a written data use agreement is completed. OHA costs are estimated to be \$471,155 total funds and two positions (1.50 FTE). The two full-time permanent positions include an Operations and Policy Analyst 4 position to serve as the Tribal Data Governance Coordinator and will establish data governance processes with the tribes, and a Research Analyst 4 position to serve as tribal data analyst who will develop guidelines for processing data

requests and coordinate with the REALD and SOGI section to ensure business decisions align with the measure's requirements. The estimated cost for these two positions is \$466,155 total funds, with additional costs including \$5,000 to reimburse travel by tribal representatives and for tribal conferences. Costs increase to \$622,714 total funds as the positions are fully phased in for the 2027-29 biennium.

Department of Human Services

The Department of Human Services (DHS) will have a one-time cost of \$207,000 General Fund to add tribal affiliation categories to the ONE system. DHS estimates the changes will require approximately 1,150 contract hours.

Other Entities

The measure has a minimal fiscal impact on the Legislative Commission on Indian Services, the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz, the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, the Coquille Indian Tribe, the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, the Klamath Tribes, and the Burns Paiute Tribe.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

The measure becomes operative on January 1, 2026.