

SB 230 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires dental care organizations and oral health providers contracting with the Oregon Health Authority to provide oral health care to veterans, and to complete an intake screening with enrollees within 60 days of their contact with the organization or provider. It takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Fiscal impact of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

[House Bill 4095 \(2022\)](#) established the Veterans Dental Program within the Oregon Health Authority, and [House Bill 5029 \(2023\)](#) allocated additional funding to the program. The program provides the same dental benefits as those for enrollees in the Oregon Health Plan/Medicaid (OHP), without corresponding copayments, deductibles, or cost sharing, to veterans who are Oregon residents, ineligible for the Oregon Health Plan (OHP)/Medicaid, and who have income up to 400 percent of the federal poverty guidelines. Additional information, including the enrollment process, is available at the program's [website](#).

Senate Bill 230 A requires dental care organizations and oral health providers participating in this program to complete an intake screening within 60 days of being contacted by an enrollee.