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To: Human Services Subcommittee
From: Matt Stayner, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 12, 2025
Subject: SB 692 – Relating to perinatal services
Work Session Recommendations

The measure directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to establish a community-based perinatal services access program to expand access to culturally competent, community-based perinatal services. It also establishes the Community-Based Perinatal Services Access Fund and appropriates General Fund to the Fund for grants to eligible entities. OHA is permitted to either manage the program directly or contract a third party for its administration.

Additionally, the measure requires the development of qualifications for doulas, the regulation of lactation counselors and lactation educators and regular review of reimbursement rates for these providers. OHA and the Traditional Health Workers Commission must biennially submit to the Legislature a report on the status of doulas in Oregon. The measure requires the state medical assistance program and health benefit plans to provide a minimum of 24 hours of doula or lactation services. The Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) is required to annually adjust the minimum dollar amount of coverage for commercial health plans based on inflation. DCBS must also issue guidance on implementation of these provisions for commercial health plans.

The recommended amendments delete the blank appropriation to OHA for the deposit of funds into the Community-based Perinatal Services Access Fund, replacing it with a \$1 million General Fund appropriation. Additional fiscal amendments are included to facilitate the administrative costs of the program.

Amendment

LFO recommends adoption of the –A4 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A4 amendment to SB 692. *(vote)*

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 692, as amended by the –A4 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 692, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. *(vote)*

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____