

**SB 598 A BUDGET REPORT and MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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**Oregon Health Authority  
2025-27**

PRELIMINARY

## **Budget Summary\***

	2023-25 Legislatively Approved Budget	2025-27 Current Service Level	2025-27 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2023-25 Leg. Approved	
				\$ Change	% Change
Other Funds Limited	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,160	\$ 800,160	100.0%
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,160	\$ 800,160	100.0%

\* Excludes Capital Construction expenditures

## **Summary of Revenue Changes**

Senate Bill 598 increases Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$541,508 for the Public Employees' Benefit Board (PEBB) and \$258,652 for the Oregon Educators Benefit Board (OEBB) to require health plans to provide coverage for at least one clinically appropriate nonopioid prescription drug as an alternative for each opioid prescription drug available for plan holders. The measure also applies to commercial health insurance plan providers.

## **Summary of Human Services Subcommittee Action**

Senate Bill 598 expands coverage of commercial, PEBB, and OEBB plans to provide access to at least one clinically appropriate nonopioid prescription drug as an alternative for each opioid prescription authorized for plan holders. PEBB plans must offer this benefit to plan holders beginning January 1, 2026, and OEBB plans must offer this benefit beginning October 1, 2026.

The bill includes an Other Funds expenditure limitation increase of \$541,508 for PEBB and \$258,652 for OEBB. The total increase is due to the estimated increase in premium costs for Kaiser Permanente plans offering access to the prescription drugs required under Senate Bill 598. There is a negligible impact on Moda insurance plans and no impact on Providence insurance plans.

## DETAIL OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ACTION

Oregon Health Authority  
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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	LOTTERY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS		FEDERAL FUNDS		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	POS	FTE
			LIMITED	NONLIMITED	LIMITED	NONLIMITED			
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE ADJUSTMENTS</u>									
<b>SCR 030-03 - Public Employees Benefit Board</b>									
Services and Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 541,508	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 541,508		
<b>SCR 030-04 - Oregon Educators Benefit Board</b>									
Special Payments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 258,652	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 258,652		
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,160	0	0.00
SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION *	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,160	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800,160	0	0.00

\*Excludes Capital Construction Expenditures