

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 296

Relating to hospital discharge challenges

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Valderrama

SB 296 requires action from the Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Authority, and Housing and Community Services Department to improve hospital discharges.

The measure requires DHS and OHA to create a dashboard that measures processing times for eligibility determinations and conduct an operational review of eligibility determinations regarding long term care services and supports. Additionally, the measure requires OHA to provide post-hospital extended benefit to Medicaid recipients and include this benefit in new contracts with coordinate care organizations and seek federal approval. Lastly, the measure requires DHS, OHA, and HCSD to conduct several studies and requires several reports from the agencies back to the legislature of their findings.

The amendment includes \$8.5 million total funds, which includes an increase of \$2.1 million General Fund and an increase of Federal Funds expenditure limitation of \$2.1 million to DHS and an increase of \$1.9 million General Fund and an increase of Federal Funds expenditure limitation of \$2.5 million to OHA.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 296 be amended by the –A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.