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Bill Title: Relating to regional health equity coalitions; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Health Authority

## **Summary of Fiscal Impact**

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate but expected to be minimal - see explanatory analysis.

## **Measure Description**

The measure directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to provide grants for programmatic and staffing costs to regional health equity coalitions. These grant awards must be adjusted annually to reflect the increased cost of living for the previous calendar year based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All items). The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

## **Fiscal Analysis**

During the budget development process, OHA submits an inflationary package as part of the Current Service Level budget phase. The standard inflation percentage, established by the Department of Administrative Services, for the 2025-27 biennium is 4.2%. While the annual inflation rate based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items) will vary year-to-year, OHA believes it can absorb any additional inflation costs for these grants in 2025-27. The fiscal impact on OHA's budget for 2027-29 is indeterminate as inflation will be based on the 2026 Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All items).

## **Relevant Dates**

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on July 1, 2025.