SB 530 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 03/25/25

Action: Do pass with amendments. Refer to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng).

Vote: 3-2-0-0

Yeas: 3 - Campos, Patterson, Reynolds

Nays: 2 - Hayden, Linthicum
Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/27, 3/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to adjust grants to Regional Health Equity Coalitions (RHECs) for inflation.

DETAILED SUMMARY:

- Requires adjustment at rates set by the Legislative Assembly consistent with biennial appropriations to OHA.
- Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Provisions of the measure.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Requires adjustment consistent with biennial appropriation to OHA (rather than Consumer Price Index).

BACKGROUND:

Regional Health Equity Coalitions (RHECs) are community-led, cross-sector groups organized regionally to identify and address health equity issues. RHECs work with communities to identify long-term strategies to increase health equity for communities of color, Tribal communities, immigrants, refugees, migrant and seasonal farmworkers, individuals and families with low income, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ communities, with communities of color as the leading priority. The RHEC model was created in 2011 by the Office of Equity and Inclusion at OHA (
Regional Health Equity Coalitions. RHEC OAR).

Senate Bill 530 A directs the Oregon Health Authority to adjust funding for RHECs based on inflation.

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Carrier: Sen. Reynolds