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Bill Title: Relating to death with dignity.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Medical Board, Board of Pharmacy, Oregon Health Authority, Board of Nursing

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Health Authority	\$ 1,329,981	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,329,981	5	3.95
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 1,329,981	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,329,981	5	3.95

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Health Authority	\$ 1,093,877	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,093,877	3	3.00
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 1,093,877	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,093,877	3	3.00

- The fiscal impact identified in the table for the Oregon Health Authority does not include the duplicate Other Funds expenditure limitation necessary to pay for expenses through the agency's Shared Services budget structure. Should this measure be adopted, the expenditure limitation will need to be established to properly budget for these expenses.

Measure Description

The measure requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to allow health care providers to submit required documents in relation to Oregon's Death with Dignity law electronically by January 1, 2028. Hospice programs and health care facilities must establish a disclosure process for their policy regarding Oregon's Death with Dignity Act (DWDA) and make an individual aware of their policy, in writing, prior to submission and post the information on their website. The measure modifies the definition of "provider" to refer only to physicians.

Fiscal Analysis

The estimated fiscal impact of the measure is \$1.3 million General Fund and five positions (3.95 FTE) in the 2025-27 biennium. In 2027-29, the estimated impact decreases to \$1.1 million General Fund and three positions (3.00 FTE).

The Office of Information Services (OIS), with support from the Public Health Division, will develop and maintain a new electronic database for the DWDA records and reporting required by the measure. OHA estimates that the following four Information Security Specialist positions will be needed in OIS to develop and implement the new system:

- Two permanent full-time Information System Specialist 8 positions to create Azure infrastructure, gather requirements, coordinate, and oversee changes to systems and manage any Enterprise Information

Services (EIS) stage gate requirements. These positions will provide ongoing maintenance for the new system.

- Two limited duration full-time Information Security Specialist 7 positions to provide business system analysis and project management.

The Public Health division also anticipates the need for one permanent full-time Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position for business analysis, community engagement, and to manage preparation of the request for proposal and ongoing contract management.

The estimated cost of the positions, including personal services and position-related services and supplies costs is \$1.3 million General Fund in 2025-27 and \$1.1 million General Fund in 2027-29. Duplicate Other Funds expenditure limitation totaling \$1.1 million in 2025-27 and \$807,612 in 2027-19 will also be need to appropriately budget for costs in OIS, which is within the Shared Services division.

The measure is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact on the Oregon Board of Pharmacy, the Oregon Medical board, or the Oregon Board of Nursing.

Relevant Dates

The measure is operative January 1, 2026.

The electronic filing system must be operational on or before January 1, 2028.