A-Engrossed House Bill 3326

Ordered by the House April 16 Including House Amendments dated April 16

Sponsored by Representatives JAVADI, PHAM H; Representative NELSON

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act creates a program to provide emergency dental care to certain people who are 65 years of age or older. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).

[Digest: The Act tells OHA to study access to dental care for seniors. (Flesch Readability Score:

[Requires the Oregon Health Authority to study barriers to accessing dental care for seniors. Directs the authority to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health no later than September 15, 2026.] [Sunsets on January 2, 2027.] Establishes the Seniors Emergency Dental Program in the Oregon Health Authority to

provide certain emergency dental services to eligible low-income seniors without any corresponding copayments, deductibles or cost sharing required.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to dental care for seniors; and prescribing an effective date. 2

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon: 3

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "coordinated care organization" and "medical 4

assistance" have the meanings given those terms in ORS 414.025. 5

(2) The Seniors Emergency Dental Program is established in the Oregon Health Author-6

ity to provide the following emergency dental services to eligible seniors without any corre-7

sponding copayments, deductibles or cost sharing required: 8

- 9 (a) Emergency extractions;
- (b) Limited oral evaluation; and 10
- (c) Necessary X-ray services, including periapical, bitewing, panoramic and cone beam. 11
- 12(3) The authority shall enter into or amend contracts with coordinated care organizations

throughout this state to provide services under the Seniors Emergency Dental Program. 13

- (4) An individual is eligible for the Seniors Emergency Dental Program if the individual: 14
- (a) Is a resident of an area served by a coordinated care organization; 15
- (b) Is at least 65 years of age; 16
- (c) Is ineligible for medical assistance; and 17
- (d) Has income that is at or below 400 percent of the federal poverty guidelines. 18
- (5) The authority may adopt any rules necessary to carry out the provisions of this sec-19
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21	SECTION 2.	(1) Section	1 of	this 2025 this	Act	becomes	operative on	January	1,	2027	1.
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(2) The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the operative date specified 22

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- 1 in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the authority to exercise, on and
- 2 after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions
- 3 and powers conferred on the authority by section 1 of this 2025 Act.
- 4 <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025 5 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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