B-Engrossed Senate Bill 1168

Ordered by the Senate June 19 Including Senate Amendments dated April 8 and June 19

Sponsored by Senator CAMPOS, Representatives NOSSE, NELSON; Senators GELSER BLOUIN, GORSEK, MAN-NING JR, MEEK, PROZANSKI, REYNOLDS, Representatives GAMBA, HUDSON, MUNOZ, NERON, RUIZ, WALTERS

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 would ban paying certain home health staff on a per-visit basis. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Prohibits per-visit compensation for home health care and home hospice care staff.

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5 Relations Board.

6 (d) "Home hospice services" means hospice services that are furnished to an individual 7 by home hospice care staff in a place of temporary or permanent residence used as the 8 individual's home for the purpose of maintaining that individual at home.

9 (e) "Hospice services" has the meaning given that term in ORS 443.850.

(f) "Term or condition of employment" includes bonuses, productivity-based pay raises
 and disciplinary procedures.

[(1)] (2) A home health agency providing home health services may not compensate [a nurse]
 home health care staff providing home health services for the agency on a per-visit basis.

[(2)] (3) A hospice program providing hospice services may not compensate [a nurse] home
 hospice care staff providing hospice services for the program on a per-visit basis.

16 (4) For purposes of this section, compensation shall be considered to be on a per-visit 17 basis if paid in connection with any term or condition of employment that is directly or in-18 directly related to or based in whole or in part on:

(a) The total number of patients served by a home health care staff person or a home
 hospice care staff person; or

(b) The number of visits made to patients by a home health care staff person or a home
hospice care staff person.

[(3)(a)] (5)(a) The Bureau of Labor and Industries shall enforce compliance with the provisions
 of this section.

(b) In accordance with the provisions of ORS chapter 183, the Commissioner of the Bureau ofLabor and Industries may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

27 <u>SECTION 2.</u> Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation 28 made to the Bureau of Labor and Industries by section 1, chapter _____, Oregon Laws 2025 29 (Enrolled House Bill 5015), for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, is increased by \$159,362, 30 to enforce compliance with the provisions under section 1 of this 2025 Act prohibiting per-31 visit compensation for home health care staff and home hospice care staff.

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