

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 528

Ordered by the Senate March 28
Including Senate Amendments dated March 28

Sponsored by Senator PATTERSON; Senators GELSER BLOUIN, GOLDEN, REYNOLDS, Representative CHAICHI
(Presession filed.)

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 gives moneys to an agency to help fund groups that work on health equity.
(Flesch Readability Score: 79.5).

Appropriates moneys to be used for regional health equity coalitions.
Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to regional health equity coalitions; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____, which shall be expended to:

(1) Provide funding to support three additional regional health equity coalitions for a statewide total of 13;

(2) Provide funding to enable each regional health equity coalition to hire two additional full-time staff; and

(3) Provide funding to support regional health equity coalitions' programmatic and staffing costs, including:

(a) Facility costs;

(b) Costs related to providing child care, transportation and interpretation and translation services; and

(c) Compensation of members and partners of regional health equity coalitions for their services.

SECTION 2. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect July 1, 2025.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.