

House Bill 2137

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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 **as introduced**.

Requires Oregon Health Authority to establish system for repurposing durable medical equipment that is no longer medically appropriate for medical assistance recipients for use by other medical assistance recipients.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to durable medical equipment.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** (1) As used in this section, "provider" means a long term care facility, as
5 defined in ORS 442.015, a residential facility, as defined in ORS 443.400, a foster home or a
6 provider of in-home services.

7 (2) If the Oregon Health Authority determines that an item of durable medical equip-
8 ment, including a prosthetic, orthotic or medical supply, requested by a recipient of medical
9 assistance is likely to be useful for a longer period of time than the period of time during
10 which the item is expected to be medically appropriate for the intended recipient of the item,
11 the authority shall:

12 (a) Rent the item; or

13 (b) Purchase the item for use by the recipient.

14 (3) If an item is purchased under subsection (2)(b) of this section, the authority shall
15 require the provider of care to the recipient to return the item to the authority when the
16 item is no longer medically appropriate for the recipient. The provider shall be required to
17 ensure that the item is clean, safe and ready for use.

18 (4) An item returned under subsection (3) of this section must be made available by the
19 authority to another medical assistance recipient for whom the item is medically appropri-
20 ate.

21 (5) The authority shall prescribe by rule a list of the types of items of durable medical
22 equipment, prosthetics, orthotics and medical supplies to which this section applies based on
23 the criteria described in subsection (2) of this section and considering health and safety is-
24 sues, the cost of the item and the expense of reconditioning the item for a subsequent user.

25 (6) The authority shall establish a statewide, centralized inventory system for items de-
26 scribed in subsection (5) of this section that is accessible online to all providers who are paid
27 with state funds.

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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.