House Bill 2560

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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 health benefit plan to cover cost of colonoscopy for insured who is 50 years of age or older and who has positive fecal immunochemical test result.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to colorectal cancer screening; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 743A.124.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 743A.124, as amended by section 1, chapter 9, Oregon Laws 2014, is amended to read:

743A.124. (1) [An insurer offering a health insurance policy that covers hospital, medical or surgical expenses, other than coverage limited to expenses from accidents or specific diseases,] A health benefit plan, as defined in ORS 743.730, shall provide coverage for all colorectal cancer screening examinations and laboratory tests assigned either a grade of A or a grade of B by the United States Preventive Services Task Force.

(2) If an insured is 50 years of age or older, an insurer may not impose cost sharing on the coverage required by subsection (1) of this section and the coverage shall include, at a minimum:

(a)(A) Fecal occult blood tests;

[(b)(B) Colonoscopies, including the removal of polyps during a screening procedure; or]

[(c)(C) Double contrast barium enemas.]

(b) A colonoscopy, including the removal of polyps during the procedure, if the insured has a positive fecal immunochemical test result.

(3) If an insured is at high risk for colorectal cancer, the coverage required by subsection (1) of this section shall include colorectal cancer screening examinations and laboratory tests as recommended by the treating physician.

(4) For the purposes of subsection (3) of this section, an individual is at high risk for colorectal cancer if the individual has:

(a) A family medical history of colorectal cancer;

(b) A prior occurrence of cancer or precursor neoplastic polyps;

(c) A prior occurrence of a chronic digestive disease condition such as inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn’s disease or ulcerative colitis; or

(d) Other predisposing factors.

(5) Health care service contractors, as defined in ORS 750.005, and trusts carrying out a multiple employer welfare arrangement, as defined in ORS 750.301, are also subject to this section.

SECTION 2. (1) The amendments to ORS 743A.124 by section 1 of this 2015 Act apply to:

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter in italic and bracketed is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.
(a) A plan issued or renewed on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act.

(b) A plan that, according to its terms, would renew on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act but is renewed prior to the effective date of this 2015 Act.

(2) The amendments to ORS 743A.124 by section 1 of this 2015 Act apply to a plan beginning on the date the plan is issued or renewed.

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