Senate Bill 281

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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 manufacturer of digital product to label product with information relating to health risks associated with use of product. Authorizes Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules related to labeling of digital products.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to radiation-emitting wireless digital products; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “digital product” includes, but is not limited to, wireless cellular telephones and digital screen devices that emit radiation.

(2) The manufacturer of a digital product shall:

(a) Include on the product a label that states recommendations regarding the age of the user of the product and that warns of any possible health risks to the user of the product.

Health risks include, but are not limited to:

(A) Addictions;

(B) Microwave sickness;

(C) Dangers specific to children and to pregnant persons; and

(D) Other harmful health effects that may result from the use of the product.

(b) Include in the packaging of the product a consumer use manual.

(c) Offer to consumers consultation on the health risks of the digital products and on how to safely use the products.

(d) Provide to businesses, organizations and schools a warning that the businesses, organizations and schools may be held liable for health care costs of an individual who the business, organization or school requires to use a digital product without the individual's knowledge of the possible health risks associated with the use of the product and the individual's consent to use.

(3) The Oregon Health Authority may adopt rules to carry out this section.

SECTION 2. (1) Section 1 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2020.

(2) The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the authority to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the authority by section 1 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.

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.

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