Senate Bill 189

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SUMMARY

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Modifies circumstances under which Department of Human Services may purchase or distribute vaccines containing thimerosal for use in persons under 18 years of age.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to immunizations regulated by Department of Human Services; amending ORS 433.271.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 433.271 is amended to read:
 - 433.271. The Department of Human Services may not purchase or distribute a pediatric vaccine [necessary for school entry immunization requirements] for use in persons under 18 years of age if the vaccine contains thimerosal, unless:
 - (1) Thimerosal is detectable in the vaccine only in trace amounts; [or]
 - (2) No other vaccine for the same purpose is commercially available in a form that does not contain thimerosal; or
 - (3) No other vaccine for the same purpose is commercially available in a form that does not cause undue burden on immunization providers. [The department may purchase and distribute a pediatric vaccine that contains thimerosal if no other vaccine for the same purpose is commercially available in a form that does not contain thimerosal.]

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