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Statement by Rep. Mitch Greenlick on Committee Passage of Health Care Exchange Bill

SALEM – The House Health Care Committee today passed SB 99, which will lead to the creation of a health care exchange in Oregon. SB 99 now moves to the House floor for a vote. Representative Mitch Greenlick (D-Portland), co-chair of the committee, today released the following statement.

“I am pleased that SB 99, which will lead to a health care exchange in Oregon, passed out of my committee and to the House floor on a bipartisan vote.

“I have long been in favor of creating a health exchange in Oregon as a one-stop-shop for individual and small groups to purchase reasonably-priced health insurance. These purchasers stand to realize savings on health care costs under this plan, including the opportunity to receive tax credits for plans purchased in the exchange. That’s why every major business groups in Oregon supported the bill.

“Oregon has received a grant from the federal government of nearly \$50 million to develop the exchange. This grant will help us continue health care reform the Oregon way, rather than having to accept a federal solution.

“SB 99 is good for businesses, good for consumers, and good for Oregon.”

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