

COIN Legislative Session Worksheet for 2025

Bill Number: SB692

Brief Description of Bill:

This bill establishes a community-based program providing access to culturally specific perinatal providers. Plainly, those providers are known as doulas who give pregnant women care and support during the later stage of their pregnancy, during labor and as they are adjusting to the care of an infant. Statistics show that women supported by competently trained doulas have fewer pre-term births, fewer C-section births, and healthier birth weights through the care of these culturally/linguistically specific providers. By giving structure to the doula community with stable remuneration, workforce development, and expanded medical insurance coverage for doula and lactation services, this bill will improve maternal care.

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1. Research topic – choose which category best fits your bill:

- ☐ Climate, Energy Environment ☐ Housing/Houselessness
- ☐ Campaign Finance Reform ☐ Immigration/Social Justice
- ☒ Healthcare/Gun Safety ☐ Education
- ☐ Transportation ☐ Economics
- ☐ Criminal Justice ☐ Gun Safety
- ☐ Other describe: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

2. The bill's Legislative champions

Chief Sponsors: **Senator Reynolds**, Regular Sponsors: **Senator Gelser Blouin**
Representative Grayber Representative Patterson Representative Neron
Representative Nelson

3. The bill's legislative opponents: **None noted. Only supportive testimonies**

3. What advocacy groups are supporting this bill and why are they supporting it?

Black Futures for Perinatal Health

The Children's Institute

The Oregon Perinatal Quality Collaborative

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

These groups understand the health benefits of maternal support during the birth process and recognize that providers are decreasing in number and need support themselves.

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4. What groups are opposing this bill and why are they opposing it? (maximum 200 words)

None known. The biggest challenge will be the funding.

6. Reasons COIN should take a position on this bill. Choose all that apply:

- ☒ Progressive groups across the state care strongly about this.
- ☒ This Bill protects or expands the rights of marginalized populations.
- ☒ This bill helps change the structures of the democratic system to make it work better.
- ☐ This issue is controlled by the state or states have a great deal of power in it. ☐ Other

7. What is the likelihood this bill will pass? **Rep. Levy's office feels good about this bill passing this year. The uncertainty of Medicaid is a complicating factor. They feel the "political will" is there.**

8. List the relevant dates concerning the bill(s)-(scheduled committee hearings, votes, lobby days, other scheduled advocacy, phone banks, post card parties, etc). **SB 692 had its public hearing on 2/18. Levy's staff expects there will be movement next week.**

9. Please list any specific advocacy action you would like COIN to help with, any media contacts that may be helpful or any other important information? **None at this time**

Further information

Momnibus Oregon 2025 <https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/reynolds/Pages/momnibus.aspx>

Momnibus Bill in Oregon aims to help pregnant families, kids

<https://www.koin.com/news/health/momnibus-bill-in-oregon-aims-to-help-pregnant-families-kids/>

