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RULES:

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RULE TITLE: Assessment Rate

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RULE SUMMARY: Rule 0020 sets the premium assessment rate to be levied against insurers, self-insured employers and self-insured employer groups. The assessment rate to be levied against insurers for Calendar Year 2026 will remain at the the current (2025) level of 9.8 percent of direct earned premium and the direct earned premium self-insured employers and self-insured employer groups would pay if they were insured employers.

RULE TEXT:

The assessment to be levied against insurers, self-insured employers and self-insured employer groups for Calendar Year 2026 shall be 9.8 percent of direct earned premium and the direct earned premium self-insured employers and self-insured employer groups would have paid had they been insured employers.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 656.612, 656.726, 705.135

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AMEND: 440-045-0025

RULE TITLE: Adjustment Reserve Rate

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RULE SUMMARY: Rule 0025 maintains additional assessments at current (2025) levels for Calendar Year 2026:

- 0.01 percent for self-insured employers to fund the Self-Insured Employer Adjustment Reserve;
- 0.01 percent for public self-insured employer groups to fund the Self-Insured Employer Group Adjustment Reserve;
- and
- 0.05 percent for private self-insured employer groups to fund the Self-Insured Employer Group Adjustment Reserve.

RULE TEXT:

In addition to the assessments established in OAR 440-045-0020, self-insured employers for the Calendar Year 2026 shall be assessed an additional 0.1 percent to fund the Self-Insured Employer Adjustment Reserve. Public self-insured employer groups for the Calendar Year 2026 shall be assessed an additional 0.1 percent to fund the Self-Insured Employer Group Adjustment Reserve. Private self-insured employer groups for the Calendar Year 2026 shall be assessed an additional 0.5 percent to fund the Self-Insured Employer Group Adjustment Reserve.

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