

# House Bill 2995

Sponsored by Representative HOLVEY

## 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**.

Permits public bodies, officers or agents of public bodies, or licensed health care providers to disclose protected health information about individual with mental illness for purpose of safely providing professional services.

Declaring emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to protected information about individual with mental illness; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 192.518 to**  
5 **192.526.**

6 **SECTION 2. Notwithstanding ORS 179.505, a public body as defined in ORS 174.109, an**  
7 **officer or agent of a public body or a person licensed by a health professional regulatory**  
8 **board listed in ORS 676.160 may disclose protected health information about an individual**  
9 **with a mental illness that was obtained in the course of providing professional services to**  
10 **the individual, without obtaining an authorization from the individual or a personal repre-**  
11 **sentative of the individual, to another public body, an officer or agent of a public body or a**  
12 **person licensed to provide health care services under ORS chapter 676 for the purpose of**  
13 **protecting the safety of the individual and the safety of the public body, officer or agent of**  
14 **the public body or licensed health care professional while providing treatment or other pro-**  
15 **fessional services to the individual.**

16 **SECTION 3. This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
17 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect**  
18 **on its passage.**

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**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.