

Senate Bill 766

Sponsored by Senator MORRISETTE

SUMMARY

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Allows Department of Human Services to make grants to or enter into contracts with nonprofit organizations that operate centers for purpose of providing certain services to individuals with disabilities.

Appropriates moneys for purposes of Act.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2007.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to individuals with disabilities; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 2 to 5 of this 2007 Act are added to and made a part of ORS chapter 430.

SECTION 2. (1) The Director of Human Services may make grants to and enter into contracts with private nonprofit organizations that provide or propose to provide support services to individuals with disabilities. Grants or contracts under this section may be for the funding of service centers for individuals with disabilities. The centers may provide the following services:

(a) Emergency and crisis shelter, assistance in arranging transitional and permanent housing, crisis stabilization services in cooperation with community mental health and developmental disabilities programs, police departments and hospitals, mentoring, mental health counseling, direct therapy services, case management, transportation or day care services;

(b) Access to or assistance in acquiring assistive technology, including but not limited to wheelchairs, text telephones and braille writers;

(c) Assessments and evaluations, including assessments and evaluations of an individual's daily living skills, education skills and employment skills;

(d) Assistance to individuals with disabilities in developing and securing self-directed supports;

(e) Daily living skills training, vocational training, computer training, legal assistance and assistance with access to social and recreational opportunities; and

(f) Any other services to individuals with disabilities approved by the director.

(2) Services provided under subsection (1) of this section shall be based on the principle of self-determination and designed for purposes of supporting the long term goals of the individuals with disabilities.

SECTION 3. The Director of Human Services shall establish by rule minimum standards for service centers receiving grants or contracts under section 2 of this 2007 Act.

SECTION 4. (1) A private nonprofit organization operating or proposing to operate a

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.

1 service center described in section 2 of this 2007 Act may apply to the Director of Human
2 Services for a grant under section 2 of this 2007 Act. The organization must submit to the
3 director, at the time of application:

- 4 (a) A statement of services provided or to be provided;
- 5 (b) Proof of maintenance of accurate and complete financial records;
- 6 (c) Clearly defined written policies and procedures; and
- 7 (d) A list of members of the governing board.

8 (2) The director shall approve or reject applications within 60 days after receipt. The di-
9 rector shall mail written notification to the applicant no later than five business days fol-
10 lowing final action taken on the application.

11 (3) The director shall consider the geographic area of the state from which an application
12 is submitted with the intent that all areas of the state develop programs to serve individuals
13 with disabilities.

14 **SECTION 5.** Services provided by centers receiving grants or entering into contracts
15 under section 2 of this 2007 Act shall be made accessible and available to all persons who
16 reside in the area served who may need the services. If a center receiving funds under sec-
17 tion 2 of this 2007 Act is unable to provide necessary services to a client, it shall refer the
18 client to alternative community resources.

19 **SECTION 6.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-
20 ated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, out of
21 the General Fund, the amount of \$_____ for the purposes described in sections 2 to 5 of
22 this 2007 Act.

23 **SECTION 7.** This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
24 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect
25 July 1, 2007.
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