A-Engrossed Senate Bill 1089

Ordered by the Senate February 12 Including Senate Amendments dated February 12

Sponsored by Senators CARTER, BATES (Presession filed.)

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.

Directs Department of Human Services to assess, evaluate and report on community mental health care delivery system in Oregon.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to department to conduct assessment and evaluation and to produce report.

Sunsets January 2, 2009.

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Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to community mental health care; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) During the 2007-2009 biennium, the Department of Human Services shall contract with a private entity or individual to conduct an assessment and evaluation of the community mental health care component of the mental health care delivery system in Oregon.
 - (2) The assessment conducted under subsection (1) of this section shall include but is not limited to:
 - (a) An assessment, based on existing reports to the greatest extent possible, of the gap between the number of Oregonians in need of community mental health care and the number who receive community mental health care;
 - (b) An assessment of the investment that the Department of Human Services, the Department of Corrections, the Judicial Department and local governments' human services and public safety systems make in both Medicaid and non-Medicaid community mental health care, including an examination of the amount spent on community mental health care, unreimbursed care and charity care; and
 - (c) A catalog of the information that agencies and local governments use to evaluate the performance of mental health organizations described in ORS 414.736 (4) and providers of community mental health care, including:
 - (A) The data collected and the performance measures and outcomes that are tracked by each agency and local government; and
 - (B) The ability of the data systems to collect data that is timely and to communicate efficiently.
 - (3) The assessment conducted under subsection (2)(a) of this section must include a separate analysis of the gap between the demand for community mental health care by vet-

erans returning from tours in Iraq, Afghanistan and other hostile fire areas and the community mental health care that is provided at United States Department of Veterans Affairs facilities.

- (4) The evaluation conducted under subsection (1) of this section must contain:
- (a) An analysis of the strengths and weaknesses in the state community mental health care delivery system; and
- (b) An overview of future community mental health care delivery system needs, with an emphasis on collaboration between agencies and systems to reduce demand for institutional care.
- (5) The Department of Human Services shall provide a written report, in accordance with the provisions of ORS 192.235 to 192.245, to the Senate Interim Committee on Health and Human Services and the House Interim Committee on Health Care no later than October 1, 2008, of the results of:
 - (a) The assessment and evaluation conducted under subsection (1) of this 2008 Act;
 - (b) The department's study of children's wrap-around services; and
- (c) The analysis of alcohol and drug treatment services that is currently underway by the department in collaboration with the Department of Corrections.
- <u>SECTION 2.</u> There is appropriated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$150,000 for the purpose of implementing section 1 of this 2008 Act.
 - SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2008 Act are repealed January 2, 2009.
- <u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2008 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2008 Act takes effect on its passage.