

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

Action:	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Boone, Cowan, Dembrow, Freeman, Huffman, Maurer, Olson, VanOrman, Tomei
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Keely West, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	4/22

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows, in accordance with legislative policy and subject to the availability of funds, Department of Human Services to contract directly with mental health and developmental disabilities providers if the department determines the program offered by the county is not satisfactory.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Referral of measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Currently under ORS 430.640, if there is an emergency situation and no community mental health or developmental disability programs are offered within a county, or when a county is unable to provide a service essential to public health and safety, the Department of Human Services (DHS) has no recourse. HB 2989 would allow DHS to contract directly with human service providers to provide mental health and developmental disabilities programs if programs offered by the county are not satisfactory, and to operate services or programs on a temporary basis if a county is unable to provide a service essential to public health and safety.