

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Department of Human Services (DHS) to adopt rules applicable to secure community facilities housing persons under the jurisdiction of the Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB).

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Process for siting of community facilities serving the PSRB population
- Minimum security and safety standards, and an emergency preparedness plan
- Training standards of program staff
- Non-profit organizations and providers made to uphold certain standards

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: DHS is responsible for securing residential treatment homes and facilities those house individuals who, as a condition of their release from PSRB are required to live in a secure home or facility located in various communities throughout Oregon. Under current law there is no requirement to notify local law enforcement or related community organizations when a treatment home is being planned. Proponents assert that the adoption of facility, training and notification standards for these facilities are critical in creating an environment of trust in government by the local communities.

Senate bill 911 requires DHS to adopt rules that provide minimum security, health and safety standards; require the home to have an emergency preparedness plan; set minimum training standards for the staff of the home; and ensure compliance with any orders of the court or the board.