

House Bill 2351

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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**.

Requires hospital emergency department to provide safe and effective care to individuals with mental illness and care that uses evidence-based practices and best practices from fields of mental health, trauma and emergency medical services. Requires Department of Human Services to adopt rules.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to treatment of individuals with mental illness in hospital emergency departments.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 441.015 to**
5 **441.063.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) A hospital licensed under ORS 441.015 to 441.063 shall ensure that an**
7 **emergency department within the hospital uses evidence-based practices and best practices**
8 **from the fields of mental health, trauma and emergency medical services in the treatment**
9 **of individuals with mental illness.**

10 **(2) The Department of Human Services shall adopt rules establishing standards for sub-**
11 **section (1) of this section that are designed to protect the dignity of individuals with mental**
12 **illness and to provide individuals with mental illness with safe and effective care in hospital**
13 **emergency departments.**

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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.