

Senate Bill 341

Sponsored by Senator MORRISETTE

SUMMARY

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Requires Department of Human Services to use savings from nursing home allocations to provide home and community-based care to seniors and persons with physical disabilities.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to community-based care; amending ORS 410.050.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 410.050 is amended to read:

5 410.050. (1) The State of Oregon finds:

6 (a) That the needs of the elderly population can be best served and planned for at the local
7 community level;

8 (b) That a longer life expectancy and a growing elderly population demands services be provided
9 in a coordinated manner and a single local agency system for such services be instituted;

10 (c) That local resources and volunteer help will augment state funds and needed personnel;

11 (d) That local flexibility in providing services should be encouraged; and

12 (e) That a single state agency should regulate and provide leadership to ensure that the elderly
13 citizens of Oregon will receive the necessary care and services at the least cost and in the least
14 confining situation.

15 (2) *[The State of Oregon further finds that within budgetary constraints, it is appropriate that]* **In**
16 **order to increase the availability of care in the least costly and least restrictive setting, the**
17 **Department of Human Services shall use all** savings in nursing home services allocations *[within*
18 *a planning and service area be reallocated to alternative care services]* **to provide home and**
19 **community-based care** under Title XIX and Oregon Project Independence *[in that area]* **to seniors**
20 **and people with physical disabilities.**

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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.