House Bill 2235

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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 Oregon Health Authority to provide training and informational materials concerning maternal mental health to health care providers serving pregnant, postpartum and post-pregnancy loss patients. Requires hospitals and health care providers serving pregnant, postpartum and post-pregnancy loss patients to provide materials published or approved by authority. Allows authority to apply for federal grants to provide training and materials.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to maternal mental health; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) The Maternal Mental Health Patient and Provider Education Program is created in the Oregon Health Authority. The goal of the program is to identify and address maternal mental health disorders and to prevent the associated long-term negative outcomes from the disorders that result for women, children and families.
 - (2) The authority shall offer training for health care providers who serve pregnant and postpartum patients, including patients who have experienced a post-pregnancy loss. The training shall include methods for screening, identifying, assessing, addressing and making appropriate referrals for maternal mental health needs.
 - (3) The authority shall publish informational materials to educate the public about maternal mental health disorders.
 - (4) The authority shall develop the training and informational materials based on the recommendations made in the report of the work group on maternal mental health disorders pursuant to section 1, chapter 624, Oregon Laws 2009.
 - SECTION 2. (1) Physicians, nurse midwives and other licensed health care professionals who provide prenatal and postnatal care to patients must provide to each patient, and family members of the patient, if appropriate, the informational materials published by the authority under section 1 of this 2011 Act or other maternal mental health education materials that are approved by the authority.
 - (2) Hospitals and other health care facilities that provide maternity care must give postnatal and post-pregnancy loss patients, and family members of the patients, if appropriate, prior to the discharge of the patient, the informational materials published by the authority under section 1 of this 2011 Act or other maternal mental health education materials that are approved by the authority.
 - SECTION 3. The Oregon Health Authority is authorized to apply for federal grants that are available under 42 U.S.C. 280g-11, 711 and 712 or any other appropriate federal funding

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source, and may solicit private gifts, grants or donations to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this 2011 Act.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect on its passage.

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