A-Engrossed House Bill 2165

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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.

Repeals sunset on county multidisciplinary teams that develop and implement protocols and procedures for investigation and reporting of abuse of adults with disabilities.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to multidisciplinary teams for investigating the abuse of adults with disabilities; amending section 8, chapter 837, Oregon Laws 2009; and repealing section 43, chapter 837, Oregon Laws 2009.
- 5 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. Section 43, chapter 837, Oregon Laws 2009, is repealed.
 - **SECTION 2.** Section 8, chapter 837, Oregon Laws 2009, as amended by section 83, chapter 828, Oregon Laws 2009, is amended to read:
 - **Sec. 8.** (1) The district attorney in each county shall be responsible for developing county multidisciplinary teams to consist of but not be limited to personnel from the community mental health program, the community developmental disabilities program, the Department of Human Services or a designee of the department, the Oregon Health Authority or a designee of the authority, the local area agency on aging, the district attorney's office, law enforcement and an agency that advocates on behalf of individuals with disabilities, as well as others specially trained in the abuse of adults.
 - (2) The teams shall develop a written protocol for immediate investigation of and notification procedures for cases of abuse of adults and for interviewing the victims. Each team also shall develop written agreements signed by member agencies that are represented on the team that specify:
 - (a) The role of each member agency;
 - (b) Procedures to be followed to assess risks to the adult;
 - (c) Guidelines for timely communication between member agencies; and
 - (d) Guidelines for completion of responsibilities by member agencies.
 - (3) Each team member shall have access to training in risk assessment, dynamics of abuse of adults and legally sound interview and investigatory techniques.
 - (4) All investigations of abuse of adults by the department or its designee or the authority or its designee and by law enforcement shall be carried out in a manner consistent with the protocols and procedures called for in this section.
 - (5) All information obtained by the team members in the exercise of their duties is confidential.

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.

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- (6) Each team shall develop and implement procedures for evaluating and reporting compliance of member agencies with the protocols and procedures required under this section.
- (7) Each team shall [annually] report to the Department of Justice and the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission, no later than July 1 of each year, the number of:
- (a) Substantiated allegations of abuse of adults in the county for the preceding [12 months] calendar year.
- (b) Substantiated allegations of abuse referred to law enforcement because there was reasonable cause found that a crime had been committed.
 - (c) Allegations of abuse that were not investigated by law enforcement.
- 10 (d) Allegations of abuse that led to criminal charges.
 - (e) Allegations of abuse that led to prosecution.
- 12 (f) Allegations of abuse that led to conviction.

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