

Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
House Committee On Health Care

MEASURE: HB 3347 A
CARRIER: Rep. Hoyle

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/20/15

Action: Do Pass As Amended And Be Printed Engrossed.

Meeting Dates: 04/03, 04/20

Vote:

Yeas: 9 - Buehler, Clem, Greenlick, Hayden, Kennemer, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Nosse, Weidner

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands person with mental illness definition to include “unable to provide for basic personal needs that are necessary to avoid serious physical harm in the near future, and is not receiving such care as is necessary to avoid such harm” language.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Personal stories of persons with mental illness
- Conditions not covered by the current definition
- Concerns with “gravely disabled” language
- Concerns from individuals with mental illness and civil commitment
- Proposed amendment
- Need to evaluate and review mental health statutes
- Comprehensive approach

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Replaces original measure.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, a person may be civilly committed for mental health treatment if a court finds, by clear and convincing evidence, that a person is “a person with mental illness” (ORS 426.130). A civil commitment may result in mandatory inpatient or outpatient mental health treatment.