

# House Bill 2199

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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**.

Updates, corrects and clarifies statutes related to Department of Human Services.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Department of Human Services; creating new provisions; amending ORS 409.182,  
3 410.425 and 411.091; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 409.182 is amended to read:

6 409.182. (1) As used in this section, "human services provider" means a person that receives  
7 reimbursement from the Department of Human Services for providing services to clients of the de-  
8 partment and that:

9 (a) The department is authorized to require to undergo financial reporting such as an audit; or

10 (b) Is required to report information to the department in a form or manner prescribed by the  
11 department.

12 (2) The department shall coordinate with other state agencies and local governments to find  
13 ways to reduce administrative and resource burdens on human services providers, including, but not  
14 limited to, implementing:

15 (a) Uniform processes for financial, compliance and other types of audits for human services  
16 providers that include protocols for periodic abbreviated audits and less frequent full audits;

17 (b) Uniform reporting forms for human services providers to report required information to all  
18 state and local entities that regulate the providers; and

19 (c) A process through which the department, state agencies and local governments share infor-  
20 mation that is reported to any of them by human services providers in order to avoid the imposition  
21 of duplicative reporting requirements on the providers.

22 *[(3) The department shall evaluate the success of the processes and forms implemented under sub-*  
23 *section (2) of this section in reducing the administrative and resource burdens on human services pro-*  
24 *viders and shall report the results of the evaluation to the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly in the*  
25 *manner provided in ORS 192.245.]*

26 *[(4)]* (3) The department shall appoint a work group that shall use a continuous improvement  
27 or similar process to review state reporting requirements that duplicate or exceed federal require-  
28 ments, to identify state reporting requirements that are unnecessary and do not produce additional  
29 valuable information and to recommend to the department changes to the department's administra-  
30 tive rules or to the Legislative Assembly changes to statutes to eliminate the duplicate or unnec-  
31 essary requirements.

**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.

1 [(5)] (4) The department may implement any of the changes to administrative rules that are au-  
2 thorized by state or federal law that are recommended by the work group under subsection [(4)] (3)  
3 of this section.

4 **SECTION 2.** ORS 410.425 is amended to read:

5 410.425. Except as provided in ORS 410.422, the funds available for purposes of ORS 410.410 to  
6 410.480 shall be kept in separate accounts in the General Fund. One account shall be used for funds  
7 appropriated for [*persons otherwise*] eligible **persons** who are 60 years of age or older. The other  
8 account shall be used for funds appropriated for [*persons otherwise*] eligible **persons** who have  
9 Alzheimer’s disease or a related disorder.

10 **SECTION 3.** ORS 411.091 is amended to read:

11 411.091. (1) For all recipients who are on the monthly reporting system, the Department of Hu-  
12 man Services shall have 10 calendar days from the date the department receives a complete monthly  
13 report to issue the recipient’s [*assistance check*] **aid** for that month.

14 (2) If the department fails to issue [*a check*] **the aid** in a timely manner pursuant to this section,  
15 the recipient may request same day issuance of the [*check*] **aid** from the local office. The department  
16 shall pay the recipient a sum equal to one-tenth of the household’s monthly assistance grant if the  
17 department fails to issue the [*check*] **aid** the same day. The payment shall be treated as a resource  
18 and not counted as income by the department.

19 (3) As used in this section, “same day” means [*that the request is received by the local office be-*  
20 *fore 12 noon*] **the same calendar day for a request received by noon or no later than the end**  
21 **of the next business day for a request received after noon.**

22 **SECTION 4.** ORS 411.117 and 411.154 are added to and made a part of ORS 412.001 to  
23 **412.155.**

24 **SECTION 5.** This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
25 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**  
26 **on its passage.**

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