

House Bill 3477

Sponsored by Representative FREDERICK

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 operate pilot projects in no fewer than six counties to test effectiveness of having coordinated care organizations contract with mental health providers to provide mental health services.

Sunsets January 2, 2018.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to pilot projects for the delivery of mental health services; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall conduct pilot projects in no fewer than six counties in which a coordinated care organization serving members residing in the county contracts with mental health providers to provide all of the following services to members of the coordinated care organization:

(a) Coordination of a member's health care.

(b) Access to care from multidisciplinary providers that provide care in multiple specialties.

(c) A coordinated process of referring members for services.

(2) Each pilot project must utilize:

(a) Electronic health information technology;

(b) Patient progress measurement tools; and

(c) A health informatics group to measure progress in meeting the goals of the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated Health Care Delivery System.

SECTION 2. The Oregon Health Authority shall apply for federal funds or grants to pay the costs of an independent evaluation of the effectiveness of the pilot projects, described in section 1 of this 2015 Act in providing mental health services.

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2015 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2016.

SECTION 4. The Oregon Health Authority may take any actions before the operative date specified in section 3 of this 2015 Act that are necessary for the authority to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this 2015 Act.

SECTION 5. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2015 Act are repealed on January 2, 2018.

SECTION 6. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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.