

**HB 3090 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Human Services**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires hospitals with emergency department to adopt policies release of patients presenting “behavioral health crisis” and requires “suicide prevention measures” if necessary. Requires hospitals to provide Oregon Health Authority (OHA) with the discharge policy. Directs OHA to compile information and report to Legislative Assembly by January 1, 2018. Defines terms. Takes effect 91st day after *sine die*.

*FISCAL: Fiscal Impact Issued*

*REVENUE: No Revenue Impact*

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

In 2015, the Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 2023, which directed hospitals to adopt and enforce discharge policies for individuals who have been hospitalized for mental health treatment. Additionally, the bill specified that the policies include: a signed (by the patient) disclosure authorization; risk of suicide assessment; long-term needs; needed community services; patient’s capacity for self-care; a process to coordinate the patient’s care and transition from the hospital setting to outpatient treatment; and the scheduling of a follow-up appointment for no later than seven days after discharge.

House Bill 3090-A requires hospitals with emergency departments to adopt policies for releasing patients that are presenting signs of “behavioral health crisis” and to provide “suicide prevention measures” if necessary. It requires hospitals to submit information to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) on the adopted policies. The measure then requires OHA to compile the submitted information and report recommendations on improving behavioral health outcomes to appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly by January 1, 2018.