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House Bill 2969

Ordered by the House April 5
Including House Amendments dated April 5

Sponsored by Representative MARSH, Senator TAYLOR; Representative NOBLE

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.

[Creates trauma practice integration program in Governor's office to provide assistance to state agencies and private entities in providing trauma-informed services to children and adolescents. Directs Governor to appoint Director of Trauma Practice Integration.]

Directs Oregon Department of Administrative Services to enter into contract with nonprofit organization to create trauma-informed practice integration program. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the trauma practice integration program; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) For the purpose of assisting public bodies and private entities that serve children, adolescents and families in providing trauma-informed services, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall enter into a contract with a nonprofit organization that:

(a) Has expertise in developing and providing trauma-informed practices and policies;
(b) Demonstrates the ability to perform statewide outreach;
(c) Has a record of working with state agencies; and
(d) Is part of an academic research-based institution.

(2) The contract shall provide that the nonprofit organization shall create a trauma-informed practice integration program in coordination and collaboration with public bodies and private entities that serve children, adolescents and families, including but not limited to persons who represent:

(a) The Department of Human Services.
(b) The Oregon Youth Authority.
(c) The Department of Education.
(d) The Oregon Health Authority.
(e) The Youth Development Council.
(f) School districts.
(g) Nonprofit organizations.
(h) County public health programs.
(i) Juvenile crime prevention programs.
(j) Early Learning Hubs.
(k) School health providers.

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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(L) State and local law enforcement agencies.

(m) The Department of Corrections.

(n) The Department of Justice.

(o) The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission.

(p) District attorneys.

(q) The Judicial Department.

(3) The trauma-informed practice integration program shall:

(a) Clearly define the characteristics of the target population of children, adolescents and families to be served by the program.

(b) Review trauma-informed practice integration programs in other states.

(c) Define what it means to provide trauma-informed services.

(d) Develop a list of performance measures that measure the success of public bodies and private entities in providing trauma-informed services to the target population.

(e) Identify trauma-informed policies and services underway across this state.

(f) Coordinate trauma-informed initiatives across state agencies.

(g) Identify systemic barriers to and gaps in services.

(h) Leverage existing trauma-informed resources and initiatives to encourage consistency and eliminate duplication of resources.

(i) Recommend changes to existing trauma-informed practices and policies.

(4) The contract entered into under this section shall provide that the nonprofit organization shall submit an annual report to the Legislative Assembly and the Governor:

(a) Detailing the progress made in carrying out the provisions of this section; and

(b) Containing specific recommendations for any additional legislation the organization deems necessary to carry out the purposes of the trauma-informed practice integration program.

(5) As used in this section, “public body” has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.109.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of $325,000, which may be expended for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect July 1, 2019.