House Bill 3342

Sponsored by Representative WILDE; Representatives MITCHELL, PRUSAK

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 certain medical and residential facilities to make available to patients and residents plant-based meals.

Requires Department of Corrections to make available to inmates plant-based meals.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to plant-based meals; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 423.020.

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

SECTION 1. (1) A hospital, in-patient acute psychiatric care facility, long term care facility, residential facility licensed under ORS 443.415 or other residential facility shall make available wholesome, plant-based meals as an option any time a meal is served.

(2) As used in this section:

(a) “Hospital” and “long term care facility” have the meanings given those terms in ORS 442.015.

(b) “Other residential facility” means any facility providing residential care and meals to two or more unrelated individuals.

(c) “Plant-based meal” means an entire meal that contains no animal products or by-products including meat, poultry, fish, dairy or eggs.

(d) “Residential care” has the meaning given that term in ORS 443.400.

SECTION 2. ORS 423.020 is amended to read:

423.020. (1) The Department of Corrections is created. The department shall:

(a) Supervise the management and administration of the Department of Corrections institutions, parole and probation services, community corrections and other functions related to state programs for corrections;

(b) Carry out legally mandated sanctions for the punishment of persons committed to its jurisdiction by the courts of this state;

(c) Exercise custody over those persons sentenced to a period of incarceration until such time as a lawful release authority authorizes their release;

(d) Provide adequate food, clothing, health and medical care, sanitation and security for persons confined, and in addition shall make available plant-based meals to such persons;

(e) Provide persons who are motivated, capable and cooperative with opportunities for self-improvement and work;

(f) Conduct investigations and prepare reports for release authorities; and

(g) Supervise persons sentenced or placed in the community for the period of time specified and in accordance with conditions of supervision ordered by the release authority.

(2) The Department of Corrections may provide consultation services related to the criminal

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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justice system to local or statewide public or private agencies, groups, and individuals, or initiate such consultation services. Consultation services shall include, but not be limited to, conducting studies and surveys, sponsoring or participating in educational programs, and advising and assisting these agencies, groups or individuals. Nothing in chapter 320, Oregon Laws 1987, is intended to diminish the state's efforts to plan, evaluate and deliver effective human services programs to offenders, either in an institution or on probation or parole. Therefore, the Department of Corrections and the Department of Human Services shall continue to jointly develop and implement needed social and rehabilitative services, including services for inmates housed in regional minimum security facilities.

(3) The Department of Corrections shall be the recipient of all federal funds paid or to be paid to the state to enable the state to provide corrections programs and services assigned to the Department of Human Services before June 15, 1987.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the department may charge a person confined in a Department of Corrections institution a reasonable health care fee for any health care services, medications and equipment provided the person during the person's confinement if the department:
   (a) Provides necessary medical care regardless of the person's ability to pay;
   (b) Provides equal treatment to all persons confined in a department institution regardless of a person's ability to pay;
   (c) Establishes a system that notifies the person of the fees and what services are covered; and
   (d) Establishes a grievance system that allows a person to challenge the deduction of a fee from the person's account.

(5) The department may provide ordinary medical, dental, psychiatric, psychological, hygienic or other remedial care and treatment for a person under 18 years of age who is confined in a Department of Corrections institution and, in an emergency in which the safety of the person appears urgently to require it, may authorize surgery or other extraordinary care.

(6) As used in this section, “plant-based meal” means an entire meal that contains no animal products or byproducts including meat, poultry, fish, dairy or eggs.