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Senate Bill 177

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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.

Requires hospice program licensed by Oregon Health Authority to identify patients in need of palliative care, provide information to patients, residents and families of patients about palliative care and facilitate patient access to palliative care.

Permits licensed hospice program to provide palliative care without obtaining in-home care agency license.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to palliative care; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2019 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 443.850 to 443.869.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding ORS 443.305 to 443.350 requiring an in-home care agency to obtain a license to provide services that are necessary to assist an individual in meeting the individual's daily needs but are not curative or rehabilitative, a hospice program licensed under ORS 443.860 is not required to be licensed as an in-home care agency under ORS 443.315 to provide palliative care, as defined by the Oregon Health Authority by rule.

SECTION 3. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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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