

HB 4149 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Behavioral Health

Action Date: 02/13/20

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Yeas: 7 - Greenlick, Hayden, Lively, Mitchell, Moore-Green, Salinas, Stark

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: Revenue impact issued

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Meeting Dates: 2/6, 2/11, 2/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (ADPC) to work with Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop an early intervention strategy to address substance use among school-aged children and youth and to report the strategy to the Legislative Assembly no later than November 1, 2020. Defines "recovery supports." Requires OHA Director to work with the ADPC to take an inventory of current resources available to prevent, treat, and recover from substance use disorders. Allows ADPC to contract for portions of the inventory study as necessary. Requires ADPC Director to report on the findings from the inventory to the interim committees on mental and behavioral health no later than November 1, 2020. Authorizes the ADPC Director to enter into agreements with other state agencies to share information and perform duties of the ADPC. Expands list of "participating" agencies the ADPC approves licensure to provide or coordinate alcohol or drug abuse prevention or treatment services. Directs 'participating' agencies to meet quarterly with the ADPC to review and report on each agency's progress on implementing comprehensive recovery plan, including reporting on process and outcome measures. Requires ADPC to report biennially on the metrics and other indicators of progress related to the comprehensive plan. Appropriates \$200,000 General Fund to support development of the youth intervention strategy and conduct statewide inventory. Sunsets requirement for development of youth intervention strategy and inventory reporting on January 2, 2022. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Prevention, treatment, and recovery services to address alcohol and drug addiction
- Public funding for addiction services
- Use of public moneys collected by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to fund Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (ADPC)
- Auditing how counties are currently using financial resources to address addiction; ability to track and monitor state-funded investments at the county level
- Draft strategic plan by the ADPC; final approval process
- Cost of funding the ADPC strategic plan
- Potential cost and impact to cities and counties if proposed funding is approved
- Alternative funding mechanisms for implementation of ADPC strategic plan

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces measure.

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BACKGROUND:

The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission (ADPC) was created by the Legislative Assembly in 2009. It was charged with planning to fund and deliver effective drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services. The ADPC has varied in size over time, with 20 commissioners as of 2019. Its composition reportedly ensures a certain cross-section of representation but its ability to function efficiently is sometimes inhibited by its size and meeting formalities. In 2015, Senate Bill 951 simplified the ADPC's objectives and sought to resolve reported difficulties with establishing a quorum. In 2018, the Legislative Assembly passed House Bill 4137 to require the ADPC to develop preliminary recommendations for the scope and framework of its comprehensive addiction, prevention, treatment, and recovery plan to be completed by July 1, 2020. The measure also directed the ADPC to review and update the comprehensive plan every two years, and required the Governor to appoint a director and establish the director's functions and powers. House Bill 2638 (2019) expanded and modified the composition of the ADPC and modified the definition of alcohol and drug abuse prevention and treatment program in Oregon to include tribal programs.

House Bill 4149-A directs the ADPC to develop an early intervention strategy to address substance use among school-aged children and youth and to conduct an inventory of current resources available to prevent, treat, and recover from substance use disorders.