Senate Bill 1552

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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 as introduced.

Directs Oregon Health Authority to evaluate specified issues related to certified community behavioral health clinics and report findings and analysis to interim committees of Legislative Assembly by December 1, 2020. Sunsets June 30, 2021, or earlier if federal funding for demonstration program terminates.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to behavioral health treatment; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall administer the certified community behavioral health clinic demonstration program under section 223 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-93) and evaluate:

(a) Whether certified community behavioral health clinics increase access to behavioral health treatment for residents of this state;

(b) Whether access to services offered by certified community behavioral health clinics results in improved health outcomes, lower overall health care costs and improved overall community health;

(c) Whether the certified community behavioral health clinic model should be continued or expanded in this state;

(d) The costs of including certified community behavioral health clinic services as health services reimbursed by the medical assistance program and the capacity of medical assistance program providers to meet the demand for the services;

(e) Potential alternative payment methodologies and value-based payments for services provided by certified community behavioral health clinics;

(f) Potential risk-sharing arrangements between the state and counties in the provision of services by certified community behavioral health clinics; and

(g) Cost containment measures that should be considered if the certified community behavioral health clinic model or a similar model is adopted.

(2) No later than December 1, 2020, the authority shall report its findings and analysis under subsection (1) of this section, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the interim committees and subcommittees of the Legislative Assembly related to health and mental health and to the interim subcommittee of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means with authority over human services agencies' budgets.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2020 Act is repealed on the earlier of:

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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(1) June 30, 2021; or
(2) The termination of federal funding for the demonstration program under section 223 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-93).

SECTION 3. This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect on its passage.