

SB 189 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

**Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110
Implementation**

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires outpatient care as condition of trial visit and specifies conditions of trial visit for persons under civil commitment. Requires trial visit conditions to be developed with full involvement of person and to address specific goals and objectives of person. Requires inclusion of designation of a community mental health program or veterans facility in which the person will receive outpatient care, a provisions for housing, assistance to the person to obtain benefits that would support the person in maintaining stability, substance abuse treatment and relapse prevention services, if applicable, and advice to the person concerning execution of a declaration for mental health treatment.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Removes requirement that trial visit conditions including housing provisions and replaces with requirement for assistance in obtaining information and resources related to available housing and shelter opportunities.

BACKGROUND:

During a period of civil commitment, the Oregon Health Authority may grant a patient a trial visit if the trial visit is agreed to by the community mental health program director for the county in which the person would reside. If the Oregon Health Authority deems that the person can be appropriately served by outpatient care during the commitment, outpatient care can be required as a condition of the trial visit.

Senate Bill 189 makes outpatient care a requirement for trial visits and provides specific conditions for trial visits. The measure requires trial visits to address the specific goals and objectives of the committed person, be developed with the full involvement of the person, and include a designation of a community mental health program or veterans facility at which the person will receive outpatient care, a provisions for housing, designation of a facility or other provider of medical care, assistance in obtaining benefits that would support stability during the trial visit, advise concerning execution of a declaration for mental health treatment, and if applicable, substance abuse treatment and relapse prevention services.