

HB 3229 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Dembrow

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

Action Date: 05/19/21
Action: Do pass the A-Eng bill.
Vote: 4-3-0-0
Yeas: 4 - Dembrow, Gelser, Manning Jr, Prozanski
Nays: 3 - Heard, Linthicum, Thatcher
Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates: 5/13, 5/19

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) to create an advisory council to work with the CJC to develop recommendations for minimum standards, policies, and procedures for the provision of health care services to adults in custody (AICs) in local correctional facilities. Specifies membership of the advisory council. Sets standards for qualifications of health care professionals, access to those professionals by AICs, staffing levels, and continuity of care protocols. Directs the CJC, in consultation with the advisory council, to develop specific recommendations for the establishment of a permanent commission. Requires the CJC to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly interim committees on judiciary by September 15, 2022, that includes recommendations for the minimum standards, cost estimates, national best practices, and any recommended legislative changes. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die. Sunsets January 2, 2023.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Goal of improving health care services for AICs
- Medical coverage for AICs
- Disability Rights Oregon investigation and report regarding deaths in Oregon jails
- Local correctional health care standards set in 1973
- Findings of report required by House Bill 3289 (2019)
- Inconsistent service provisions across facilities
- Jail resources

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) allocates state and federal resources statewide for comprehensive criminal justice planning and policy development. Additionally, the CJC serves as the primary coordinating body for the acceptance, planning, and distribution of federal criminal justice funds leveraged to address the needs of the state criminal justice system.

House Bill 3229 A directs the CJC to create an advisory council to work with the commission to develop recommendations for minimum standards, policies, and procedures for the provision of health care services to adults in custody (AICs) in local correctional facilities.