House Bill 3266

Sponsored by Representative PRUSAK

SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Corrections to ensure specified health services are provided to adults in custody during pregnancy, labor, birth and postpartum period. Prohibits certain searches at intake of adult in custody following childbirth.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to health services for pregnant adults in custody.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Corrections shall ensure that the following health services are provided to pregnant and postpartum adults in custody in department facilities:

(a) Prenatal education and resources;
(b) Nutritional support;
(c) Access to services provided by experienced doulas or midwives;
(d) Upon request, a corrections officer of the same gender as the adult in custody as the officer in attendance during birth;
(e) Access to a breast pump immediately following birth;
(f) Lactation education and resources;
(g) Transportation of breast milk to the infant of the adult in custody; and
(h) Physical and emotional recovery resources during the postpartum period for at least six weeks after birth.

(2) A doula or midwife described in subsection (1) of this section must be:

(a) Granted appropriate department facility access in order to provide prenatal care and postpartum care for at least six weeks after birth;
(b) Allowed to attend and provide assistance during labor and birth whenever feasible; and
(c) Granted access to all relevant health care information concerning the adult in custody if the adult in custody authorizes disclosure.

(3) The health services described in subsection (1) of this section must be trauma-informed.

(4) The department may partner or contract with nonprofit organizations or other agencies to provide the health services described in subsection (1) of this section.

(5) At intake for an adult in custody arriving at or returning to a department facility following childbirth, a department employee may not conduct a search of the adult in custody that involves the removal of the clothing or an inspection of the body cavities of the adult in custody.

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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