HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3303

By COMMITTEE ON EARLY CHILDHOOD AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 6

On page 1 of the printed bill, line 6, delete “Department of Administrative Services” and insert “Health Authority”.

In line 21, delete “Department of Administrative Services” and insert “Health Authority”.

In line 29, delete “Department of Administrative Services” and insert “Health Authority”.

Delete lines 30 through 32 and delete page 2.

On page 3, delete lines 1 through 15 and insert:

“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section and section 1 of this 2023 Act:

“(a) ‘Client’ means an individual or family seeking a referral from or who is being referred by a provider for needed services and supports.

“(b) ‘Community information exchange’ or ‘exchange’ means a network of collaborating providers using a multidirectional technology platform, that includes a shared resource directory and closed loop referrals, to connect individuals and families to needed services and supports such as food, housing, transportation and health care.

“(c) ‘Provider’ means:

“(A) A social services agency;

“(B) A community-based organization;

“(C) A health care provider; or

“(D) Any other entity participating in a community information exchange that provides services or supports in a community.

“(d) ‘Social services data’ includes:

“(A) Identifying information regarding clients;

“(B) The name of a provider that is referring a client;

“(C) Notes that may be entered into an electronic record by a provider regarding a client, such as an evaluation or assessment of the individual’s or family’s needs;

“(D) The name of an entity to which a client is referred;

“(E) Whether a referral has been acted upon by the receiving entity;

“(F) Outcomes of referrals; and

“(G) Other information that may be used to pinpoint where additional or fewer resources are needed.

“(2) The Community Information Exchange Board established in section 1 of this 2023 Act shall study community information exchanges and make recommendations on best practices for the use of community information exchanges by:

“(a) Exploring the sharing of social services data by providers;

“(b) Identifying gaps in, needs for and barriers to the sharing of social services data by
providers;

“(c) Identifying best practice elements and areas for improvement in systems that share social services data so that the resources of this state may be directed to the systems identified as aligning with best practices;

“(d) Identifying use cases for state programs to align with community information exchanges; and

“(e) Identifying ways to support providers with training and capacity building through funding, grants, technical assistance and other resources so the providers can utilize systems for sharing social services data.

“(3) The work of the board shall be informed by the report of the stakeholder groups convened by the Health Information Technology Oversight Council under section 1, chapter 10, Oregon Laws 2022.

“(4) The board shall appoint the following work groups:

“(a) A provider funding and support work group that shall:

“(A) Identify sustainable funding and grants and technical assistance that will be needed for community information exchanges;

“(B) Identify gaps in and barriers to participation by providers participating in the sharing of social services data; and

“(C) Connect with existing regional health equity coalitions, as defined in ORS 413.256, Early Learning Hubs designated under ORS 417.827, community advisory councils described in ORS 414.575 and other local organizations, to inform the work of the board.

“(b) A technical advisory committee consisting of technical experts and a geographic representation of community information exchange technology vendors, to inform the board concerning:

“(A) Privacy and security of data;

“(B) Technology systems; and

“(C) Interoperability and national standards for the exchange of social services data.

“(c) Other regional focus groups, work groups or committees the board determines necessary to support the board’s goals.

“(5) The board shall implement a plan to measure the success of the community information exchange in facilitating and coordinating client referral for services and supports and annually report the plan and the findings under the plan, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to early childhood and human services.

“(6) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the board in the performance of the board’s duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the board consider necessary to perform their duties.”.

In line 16, delete “Department of Administrative Services” and insert “Health Authority”.

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