

**A-Engrossed  
Senate Bill 759**

Ordered by the Senate April 4  
Including Senate Amendments dated April 4

Sponsored by Senator GELSER BLOUIN

**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.

Requires Department of Human Services to *[ensure that]* **investigate options for allowing** adults receiving developmental disability services **to** receive supports necessary to live in homes they own or rent and with support of roommates that they choose. **Requires department to report findings from investigation to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to human services by December 1, 2023.**

**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to supports for adults with developmental disabilities; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

**(a) “Adult” means an adult who receives developmental disability services.**

**(b) “Developmental disability services” has the meaning given that term in ORS 427.101.**

**(2) The Department of Human Services shall investigate options for compensating the roommates an adult chooses to provide caregiving to the adult in the home that the adult owns or rents.**

**(3) Not later than December 1, 2023, the department shall report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to human services, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, the department’s findings under subsection (2) of this section including but not limited to:**

**(a) Potential methods for compensating roommates who provide caregiving;**

**(b) The effect of rules regarding home and community-based services on the use of roommates to provide caregiving;**

**(c) Federal funding that is available to compensate a roommate for providing caregiving; and**

**(d) Descriptions of the roommate caregiver models currently implemented in other states.**

**SECTION 2. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**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.