Senate Bill 796

Sponsored by Senators PATTERSON, KNOPP, Representative REYNOLDS

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 as introduced.

Establishes Oregon Memory Net program to provide opportunity for primary care providers to refer for memory assessment at neurologic clinic patients showing signs of cognitive decline or impairment but who have not been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to dementia.

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

SECTION 1. The Oregon Memory Net is established to provide primary care providers with the opportunity to refer to a memory assessment clinic patients who show signs of cognitive decline or impairment, but who have not been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia. The Department of Human Services shall contract with an Alzheimer's Disease Research Center located in Oregon that is designated by the National Institute on Aging to subcontract with a neurologic clinic that has a memory assessment clinic outside of the Portland metropolitan area to accept referrals and conduct memory assessments.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of $______, which may be expended for carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2023 Act.