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TO: Senate Interim Committee on Early Childhood and Behavioral Health
FROM: Katie Hart, LPRO Analyst
RE: 2026 Committee Legislative Concept Summaries
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LC 111: Creates a new behavioral health provider type, called a Licensed Behavioral Health and Wellness Practitioner, licensed by the Board of Psychology. Establishes scope of practice, licensure requirements, supervision requirements, and sanctions for the provider type. Establishes provider-client privilege and mandatory reporting requirements for the provider type. Takes effect the 91st day following adjournment sine die. (Dated 1/13/2026)

LC 282: Requires the operator of an artificial intelligence companion platform to provide a clear and conspicuous notice that indicates the user of the platform is interacting with artificially generated output. Requires operators of artificial intelligence companion platforms to develop and publish evidence-based protocol for detecting input that consists of suicidal or self-harm ideation. Prevents the provision of content to the user that could cause suicidal ideation, suicide, or self-harm by the user. Requires the protocol to include referral to crisis services. Creates additional requirements, including a warning about suitability of the platform, the disclosure of artificially generated content, clear and conspicuous reminders to take breaks from the platform, and the prohibition of sexually explicit generated content if the operator has reason to believe that the user of a platform is a minor. Prohibits the use of rewards, emotional manipulation, or misrepresentation to reinforce user behavior, prolong platform engagement, or mislead users about the artificial intelligence companion's nature or capabilities if the user is a minor. Directs platform operators to report the number of referrals to crisis resources and protocol details to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) by December 31 of each year. Creates a private right of action for individuals who suffer loss or injury as a result of an operator's violation of the provisions in the measure. (Dated 1/13/2026)

LC 289: Directs the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC) to adopt rules requiring warning labels on marijuana products and inhalant delivery systems with industrial hemp-derived vapor items. Directs OLCC to work in consultation with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to evaluate the requirements adopted by the commission every five years. Prohibits the infusion or other addition of cannabinoids to usable marijuana products beyond the cannabinoids naturally occurring in the product. Permits a city or county to establish buffer zones of more than 1,000 feet around a premises licensed by the Adult and Medical Use of Cannabis Act if the buffer zone is in the compelling interest of the public health and safety of the area. Requires that each cannabinoid edible in a package of cannabinoid edibles be individually wrapped. Permits up to 10 milligrams of adult use cannabinoid per individual cannabinoid edible. Takes effect the 91st day following adjournment sine die. (Dated 1/9/2026)