

# House Bill 2239

Sponsored by Representative NOSSE (Presession filed.)

## 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**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act tells OHA to adopt standards for dwellings that house and support people recovering from SUDs. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).

Directs the Oregon Health Authority to adopt minimum quality and performance standards to certify recovery residences that contract with the authority, a coordinated care organization or a county behavioral health department to provide housing supports to individuals with substance use disorders. Prescribes the circumstances under which the authority, a coordinated care organization or a county behavioral health department may contract with a recovery residence.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to recovery residences; and prescribing an effective date.

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

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

4 (a) **“Coordinated care organization” has the meaning given that term in ORS 414.025.**

5 (b) **“National recovery residence organization” means an independent national organiza-**  
6 **tion that publishes quality and performance standards for recovery residences.**

7 (c) **“Recovery residence” means a residential dwelling that provides primary housing for**  
8 **individuals who seek a cooperative living arrangement that supports personal recovery from**  
9 **a substance use disorder.**

10 (2) **The Oregon Health Authority shall adopt minimum quality and performance standards**  
11 **to certify recovery residences that contract with the authority, a coordinated care organ-**  
12 **ization or a county behavioral health department to provide housing supports to individuals**  
13 **with substance use disorders. The standards must be aligned with the standards published**  
14 **by a national recovery residence organization.**

15 (3) **The authority, a coordinated care organization or a county behavioral health depart-**  
16 **ment may contract with a recovery residence only if the recovery residence has been certi-**  
17 **fied by the authority or by an affiliate in this state of a national recovery residence**  
18 **organization.**

19 (4) **If the authority, a coordinated care organization or a county behavioral health de-**  
20 **partment has documented evidence, including evidence from a local government or law**  
21 **enforcement, that a contracted recovery residence has engaged in fraud, the authority, co-**  
22 **ordinated care organization or county behavioral health department shall report the evidence**  
23 **to the Director of the Oregon Health Authority and to an affiliate in this state, if any, of a**  
24 **national recovery residence organization.**

### **SECTION 2. (1) Section 1 of this 2025 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2026.**

25 (2) **The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the operative date specified**  
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**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.

1 in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the authority to exercise, on and  
2 after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions  
3 and powers conferred on the authority by section 1 of this 2025 Act.

4 SECTION 3. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025  
5 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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