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YOUTH Behavioral Health Workforce Bill of 2025

SB527 / Sponsor: Senate Health Care Chair Deb Patterson



What the bill does:

- ✓ **Builds on existing, successful** entry level workforce expansion efforts that were piloted by Oregon's local workforce boards. Focused on entry level workforce (a huge gap)
- ✓ Focuses on **pre-apprenticeships** for high school students and **training programs** for recent graduates
- ✓ **Pairs youth with local non-profits and mentors**
- ✓ **Leverages** federal, foundation and CCO investment
- ✓ Is already **being fast tracked** in the mid-Willamette Valley but can rapidly be expanded.

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