A-Engrossed House Bill 2908

Ordered by the House April 5 Including House Amendments dated April 5

Sponsored by Representatives EVANS, DRAZAN; Representatives ALONSO LEON, KENY-GUYER, MCKEOWN

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 division of Department of Human Services that administers Oregon Project Independence, in collaboration with area agencies, to study statewide expansion of Oregon Project Independence and resource needs of division if Oregon Project Independence is expanded statewide.

Requires department, by September 15, [2021] 2020, to report on study to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to human services.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to Oregon Project Independence; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The division of the Department of Human Services that administers

5 Oregon Project Independence, under ORS 410.410 to 410.480, shall collaborate with area

6 agencies, as defined in ORS 410.040, to study the feasibility of expanding Oregon Project In-

7 dependence statewide. The study must include projected case numbers, a projected timeline

8 for expansion and an evaluation and findings on the needs of the division for:

9 (a) Training;

10 (b) Additional case management staff;

11 (c) Additional home care workers and home care agency resources to meet the projected

12 demands for the program services;

13 (d) Nonstaff resources; and

14 (e) Funding to ensure that services are provided equitably.

(2) No later than September 15, 2020, the department shall report to the interim com mittees of the Legislative Assembly related to human services, in the manner provided in
ORS 192.245, the results of the evaluation, findings and recommendations, if any, from the
study described in subsection (1) of this section.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect
on its passage.

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