

SB 1552 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Mental Health

Action Date: 02/10/20

Action: Do pass with amendments and requesting referral to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Engrossed.)

Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yeas: 4 - Boles, Gelser, Monnes Anderson, Roblan

Exc: 1 - Heard

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/3, 2/5, 2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Oregon Health Authority to continue to administer the certified community behavioral health clinics (CCBHC) demonstration project and report findings and analysis to interim committees of Legislative Assembly by December 1, 2020. Specifies issues to be evaluated including access, health outcomes, continuation, costs, alternative payment methodologies, ride-sharing arrangement between state and counties, cost containment, and whether the certified CCBHC model is compatible with the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated Health Care Delivery System. Sunsets June 30, 2021, or earlier if federal funding for demonstration program terminates. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Anticipated amount of General Fund needed to continue demonstration program and available federal matching funds
- Current integration of CCBHCs into coordinated care organizations
- How counties have been providing funds
- Results of demonstration to date

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Adds the compatibility of certified community behavioral health clinics with the Oregon Integrated and Coordinated Health Care Delivery System to the requirements of the evaluation.

BACKGROUND:

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) are clinics designed to provide a comprehensive range of mental health and substance use disorder services, particularly to vulnerable individuals with co-occurring disorders. They were created through Section 223 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act (PAMA), which established a demonstration program based on the Excellence in Mental Health Act. CCBHCs serve adults and children by providing a comprehensive array of services that are necessary to create access, stabilize people in crisis, and provide the necessary treatment for those with the most serious, complex mental illnesses and addictions. In 2015, Oregon was awarded a planning grant to develop CCHBCs to expand behavioral health services and workforce, pilot alternative payment methods, and align with ongoing health transformation efforts. In 2017, Oregon was awarded a two-year federal demonstration grant which was extended through May 2020. Oregon's CCBHCs are required to provide an array of services, including crisis mental health services, targeted care management, peer support and family supports, and outpatient mental health and substance use services. As of January 2020, there are more than 20 CCBHCs across Oregon that have met state and federal standards to become a CCBHC.

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Senate Bill 1552-A requires the Oregon Health Authority to evaluate the state's Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics and report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 1, 2020.