

SB 4 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services, Mental Health and Recovery

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Meeting Dates: 3/25, 4/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022, to improve coordination youth mental health services. Sunsets January 2, 2023.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for placeholder for potential adjustments to Senate Bill 1 (2019) due to disruption from COVID-19
- Potential to move placeholder to Rules Committee

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 1, enacted in 2019, appropriated \$12,400,000 dollars to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and a newly established System of Care Advisory Council to develop and implement a comprehensive, long-range plan for a coordinated network of care for youth with distinctive mental or behavioral health needs across systems of health care, public health, education, child welfare, and juvenile justice, and included authority for certain state agencies to contract with interdisciplinary assessment teams.

Senate Bill 4 requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022, to improve coordination youth mental health services.