

## **SB 4 -1, -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **Senate Committee On Rules**

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**Meeting Dates:** 6/3, 6/15

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

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

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

##### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-1 Replaces the measure. Gives System of Care Advisory Council (Council) authority to appoint Executive Director. Executive Director shall be in exempt service, shall be responsible for performance of duties assigned by Council, and may employ staff to carry out duties. Directs Council and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to enter into interagency agreement for roles and duties for coordinated state system of care. Agreement must ensure Council's independence for policy and use of Council funds. Directs Department of Human Services and OHA to prepare and submit semi-annual coordinated state system of care expenditure reports to Council and Legislative Assembly no later than April 1 and October 1 of each year. Requires first report on April 1, 2022.

-2 Replaces the measure. Adds definitions. Gives System of Care Advisory Council (Council) authority to appoint Executive Director. Gives Council authority to award grants from funds appropriated by Legislative Assembly or from funds otherwise available from any other source. Clarifies that report due to Legislative Assembly and Governor on or before September 15 of each year may include recommendations for legislation, changes to Council structure, and to composition and operating processes. Requires Department of Human Services (DHS), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), and Council to submit joint report to Legislative Assembly on or before December 31 of each odd-numbered year. Requires report to include information about spent and unspent moneys appropriated or otherwise made available to DHS, OHA, and Council in preceding biennium for purpose of services and supports. Allows Council to submit proposals for legislative measures in accordance with current law. Requires Council to submit agency request budget in accordance with current law. Gives Council and participating state agencies authority to enter into interagency agreements, where applicable, to carry out Council's duties, to: provide staff and resources to assist Council; share computer systems and technologies, to extent allowed by law; collect and analyze data; and, investigate effectiveness of Council's proposals and recommendations. Gives Council authority to direct expenditures of moneys appropriated or otherwise made available to Council or OHA for supporting duties of Council. Requires first biennium report to be submitted on December 31, 2021. Declares emergency; is effective on passage.

##### **BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 1, enacted in 2019, appropriated \$12,400,000 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 of youth mental health services.