

HB 3069 B STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Revenue

Action Date: 06/02/21

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed B-Eng.)

Vote: 6-1-0-0

Yeas: 6 - Marsh, Nathanson, Pham, Reschke, Smith G, Valderrama

Nays: 1 - Levy

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 5/11, 5/25, 6/2

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Declares an Emergency. Establishes a statewide crisis services system including a call line 9-8-8 for suicide prevention and behavioral health crises. Requires OHA to revise the tax system on an biannual basis using the fiscal growth factor. Defines coordinated care organization, crisis stabilization services, mobile crisis intervention team, peer support specialist, crisis stabilization center, peer respite services, and Veterans Crisis Line. Requires the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) establish a crisis hotline center for mental health crises and related care. Requires crisis hotline centers to operate 365 days per year and outlines requirements of center in statute. Provides OHA rulemaking authority to ensure crisis hotline centers meet the requirements outlined in statute. Outlines requirements of hotline staff and requires OHA to reimburse uninsured individuals or individuals without coverage for 9-8-8 services. Provides OHA rule-making authority to allow appropriate information sharing and communication across all crises services providers as necessary. Requires OHA report annually to the Legislative Assembly on the 9-8-8 hotline usage and related services. Requires OHA to consult with local communities to provide community-based crisis intervention services and expanding the use of mobile crisis intervention teams. Establishes the 9-8-8 Fund to support the implementation of the crisis services system for the state and details required reporting on the fund. Disallows 9-8-8 funds to be used for other mental health related services funded through the General Fund. Adds to uses of fund specialized training for at-risk communities. Requires OHA to take action prior to the operative date of July 16, 2022 in order to carryout the requirements of this legislation. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Federal legislation providing opportunity to develop 988 service statewide
- Current call line for mental health crises

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Removes tax from the bill. Declares an emergency. Defines crisis stabilization center and peer respite services. Requires crisis hotline centers to operate 365 days per year and outlines requirements of center in statute. Provides OHA rulemaking authority to ensure crisis hotline centers meet the requirements outlined in statute. Replaces requirements of mobile response teams in bill with requirements to be outlined in rule. Requires OHA to report to the Legislature and outlines report requirements in statute. Adds specialized training for at-risk communities to uses of fund. Removes OHA ability to staff committees related to the implementation of the 9-8-8 fund.

BACKGROUND:

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The National Suicide Hotline Designation Act, passed in 2020, established 9-8-8 as the number for the National Suicide Prevention Hotline. This bill establishes Oregon's statewide crisis system and the 9-8-8 Fund.