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Measure Description:

Directs Oregon Health Authority to require psilocybin service centers and psilocybin service facilitators licensed by authority to collect and report specified data.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Justice, Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Health and Science University

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal- see analysis.

Analysis:

SB 303-2 adds reporting requirements for individuals treated at a psilocybin service center to ORS 475A.210 through 475A.722 and becomes operative on January 1, 2025. The measure requires psilocybin service centers to submit quarterly reports to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) which OHA will submit to the Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) to evaluate outcomes. The measure also requires OHA to track licensing and demographic data on applicants and make their findings publicly available. The first report from the psilocybin service centers and OHA is due no later than January 1, 2025. OHA is granted rulemaking authority. The measure defines exceptions to confidentiality of client information. OHA is permitted to take any action before the operative date necessary to prepare for implementation. The measure takes effect on the 91st day after adjournment sine die of the 2023 legislative session.

The fiscal impact for this measure on OHSU is indeterminate but anticipated to be minimal. The bill directs OHA to provide data collected as prescribed in this bill to OHSU for the purpose of enabling evaluation of the outcomes of psilocybin services. However, the bill does not require any specific deliverables from OHSU. This fiscal impact assumes that OHSU will incorporate the information provided by OHA in its line of research.

The Legislative Fiscal Office anticipates a minimal fiscal impact on OHA given the nature of the work the measure requires of the agency and existing staffing level in the agency's psilocybin services program. There is a minimal fiscal impact to the Department of Justice.

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