

House Bill 2545

Sponsored by Representative NOSSE (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires health insurance reimbursement of cost of behavioral health care services provided by master's degree level students under clinical supervision.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to behavioral health services.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of the Insurance Code.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "behavioral health care provider" means a be-**
6 **havioral health care provider as prescribed by the Oregon Health Authority under ORS**
7 **675.655.**

8 **(2) A policy or certificate of health insurance that reimburses the cost of behavioral**
9 **health services shall reimburse the cost of covered behavioral health services provided by a**
10 **behavioral health care provider, who is under clinical supervision in the last 12 months of a**
11 **master's degree level program, in the same amount and using the same methodology as a**
12 **licensed behavioral health care provider in the same discipline is reimbursed for the same**
13 **service.**

14 **(3) The provisions of this section are exempt from ORS 743A.001.**

15 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act applies to policies or certificates of health insur-**
16 **ance issued, renewed or extended on or after the effective date of this 2023 Act.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.