SB 130 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure establishes the Task Force on the Recruitment and Retention of Case Managers and Adult Protective Services Workers, specifies the task force's membership, and directs the task force to study and make recommendations that address barriers and best practices to recruit and retain case managers and adult protective services workers who serve consumers of Medicaid-funded long term care services and to report to interim legislative committees by December 15, 2026. The measure appropriates unspecified General Fund moneys to DHS for the task force. The measure sunsets on December 31, 2026. The measure declares an emergency and is effective on July 1, 2025.

Detailed summary:

- Establishes the Task Force on the Recruitment and Retention of Case Managers and Adult Protective Services Workers.
- Specifies task force membership as nine Governor-appointed members with staff support provided by the Department of Human Services (DHS).
- Directs the task force to:
 - o identify barriers to the recruitment and retention of case managers and adult protective services workers who serve consumers of Medicaid-funded long term care services;
 - o identify recruitment and retention best practices from other states; and
 - o provide solutions to improve current recruitment and retention rates.
- Specifies the scope of the task force's responsibilities and operational requirements.
- Requires the task force to report its recommendations to interim legislative committees by December 15, 2026.
- Appropriates unspecified General Fund moneys to DHS for the task force.
- Sunsets on December 31, 2026.
- Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal impact issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Human Services' Aging and People with Disabilities (APD) division is responsible for licensing, regulating, and overseeing the state's providers of long term care services, including in-home care and residential care facilities such as nursing facilities, assisted living, memory care, adult foster homes. The division also provides and coordinates, through sixteen local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), case management for individuals who receive these services through the Oregon Health Plan, the state's Medicaid program, and investigates instances of reported abuse of vulnerable adults through its Adult Protective Services (APS) program, as required by the

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federal <u>Older Americans Act</u>. According to the <u>State Plan on Aging</u>, six AAAs in Oregon are "Type B-Transfer" agencies that perform additional functions on behalf of APD, including APS investigations, while the other twelve agencies rely on local APD offices in their regions for those services. <u>According to APD</u>, Adult Protective Services investigated 25,769 alleged incidents of abuse, and more then 57,000 people received support through Medicaid long-term services and supports in the two-year period ending in June 2023.

