

SB 725 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Department of Human Services (ODHS) to adopt rules that require community developmental disabilities programs and service support brokerages to maintain a 30 to 1 staffing ratio of service coordinators or personal agents to individuals served. The measure becomes operative on January 1, 2026, sunsets January 2, 2027, and allows ODHS to take necessary actions before the operative date. The measure takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Detailed Summary:

- Directs ODHS to adopt rules that ensure that community developmental disabilities programs and service support brokerages maintain staffing levels that are sufficient to meet the needs of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities served by those entities.
- Specifies that staffing requirements ensure that a service coordinator or personal agent is assigned to serve no more than 30 individuals.
- Becomes operative on January 1, 2026 but authorizes ODHS to take necessary actions for implementation before that date.
- Sunsets on January 2, 2027.
- Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal impact issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current staffing ratios for personal agents and service coordinators
- Distribution of caseload based on need, acuity, geography, and allotted hours
- Experiences of individuals receiving services from case management entities

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Human Services (ODHS), through the Office of Developmental Disability Services (ODDS), manages home and community-based services for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) under [Medicaid's Community First Choice](#) option, or "K Plan," as provided by sections 1915(c) and 1915(k) of the federal Social Security Act and section 2401 of the Affordable Care Act. Oregon is one of five states to provide these services to individuals with IDD under its state Medicaid plan. While ODHS manages the statewide structure for this system, services are delivered through a statewide network of 36 community developmental disabilities programs (CDDPs) and 14 support services brokerages, collectively known as case management entities (CMEs). CMEs provide case management services and person-centered planning for individuals with IDD in order to allow those individuals to direct the services, support, and care provided for them in their home or in the community.