A-Engrossed House Bill 3321

Ordered by the House May 6 Including House Amendments dated May 6

Sponsored by Representatives WALTERS, SANCHEZ; Representative MANNIX

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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act tells the ADPC to create a statewide strategy for preventing substance use. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).

Directs the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission to develop and implement [a primary prevention state strategy] plans, including a statewide primary prevention strategy, that address the entire youth continuum of care and are designed to prevent the onset of substance use. Requires the commission to report to the Legislative Assembly [every two years on the implementation of the strategy] on the commission's findings and recommendations no later than September 15, 2026.

Directs the commission, in collaboration with the Oregon Health and Science University, to provide education and technical assistance to providers of youth substance use disorder treatment and early intervention.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to primary prevention of substance use.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:

- (a) "Indicated prevention" means prevention strategies that focus on individuals who exhibit early signs of substance use or other risk factors but who do not have a diagnosable substance use disorder.
- (b) "Primary prevention" means practices, programs and policies designed to prevent, delay and reduce the incidence and prevalence of youth substance use.
- (c) "Selective prevention" means prevention strategies that target individuals, or groups of individuals, whose risk of developing a substance use disorder is significantly higher than average.
- (d) "Universal prevention" means prevention strategies that are aimed at the general public or a whole population group, without identifying individuals who are at particular risk of developing a substance use disorder.
- (2) The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission shall develop and implement plans, including a statewide primary prevention strategy, that address the entire youth continuum of care and are designed to prevent the onset of substance use by:
- (a) Promoting health and well-being among individuals who have not begun using alcohol, tobacco or controlled substances; and
- (b) Utilizing universal prevention, selective prevention and indicated prevention strategies.
 - (3) In developing the plans described in subsection (2) of this section, the commission

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- (a) Conduct a comprehensive inventory and assessment of existing primary prevention programs in this state, including programs that are school-based or provided by youth-serving agencies or organizations. The comprehensive inventory and assessment must include an assessment of the current workforce, types of entities supporting or administering the programs, types of interventions being utilized, effectiveness of the programs, feasibility of increasing the services of the programs, funding streams and areas of unmet need.
- (b) Conduct an assessment of existing gaps in the provider workforce and service delivery system for youth in need of all levels of substance use disorder treatment, including intensive outpatient treatment, residential treatment, withdrawal management and treatment for co-occurring disorders.
- (c) Conduct, or contract with a third party to conduct, a financial accounting of current primary prevention expenses in this state, including services funded and the funding sources and amounts for those services.
- (d) Define state agency responsibilities, outline funding models and identify implementation strategies and expected outcomes.
- (4) No later than September 15, 2026, the commission shall report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, on the commission's findings and recommendations under this section.
- <u>SECTION 2.</u> The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, in collaboration with the Oregon Health and Science University, shall provide education and technical assistance to providers of youth substance use disorder treatment and early intervention.

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.