## Senate Bill 136

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## SUMMARY

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Digest: The Act allows DHS to deem an IDD services provider to be unqualified. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).

Authorizes the Department of Human Services to revoke a license, certificate or endorsement of a provider of community-based services to individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities if the department deems the provider unqualified. Specifies the circumstances under which a provider shall be deemed unqualified.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to developmental disabilities services providers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 427.

5 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) As used in this section, "excluded provider list" means the comprehen-

6 sive listing maintained by the United States Department of Health and Human Services' Of-

fice of Inspector General of providers that are excluded from participation in federal health
 care programs.

9 (2) The Department of Human Services may revoke the license, certificate or endorse-10 ment of a provider of community-based services to individuals with intellectual or develop-11 mental disabilities if the department deems the provider to be unqualified.

12 (3) The department shall deem a provider to be unqualified:

(a) For at least 12 months if a manager or resident manager of the provider is placed on
 the excluded provider list while employed by the provider.

(b) For at least 12 months if the provider denies the department or a community devel opmental disabilities program access to records, a facility or an individual receiving services.

(c) For at least 24 months if the provider alters, conceals, destroys or otherwise manip ulates records.

(d) For at least 24 months if the provider is found to have committed a serious health
 or safety violation three or more times in any 18-month period.

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(e) At all times if the provider engages in financial mismanagement or fraud.

(f) At all times if the owner of the provider or a member of the provider's governing
board or executive team, or a family member of the owner or member of the governing board
or executive team, has:

25 (A) Been placed on the preclusion list;

26 (B) Been found to have committed Medicaid fraud within the preceding 10 years;

27 (C) Had revoked a license, certificate or endorsement for the provision of care or services

to children, adults with physical disabilities or developmental disabilities or older adults 1 2 within the preceding 10 years; or (D) Voluntarily surrendered a license, certificate or endorsement for the provision of 3 care or services to children, adults with physical disabilities or developmental disabilities or 4 older adults while under investigation for fraud, maltreatment, financial mismanagement, 5 criminal activity or other licensing violations within the preceding seven years. 6 (4) If the department has reasonable cause to believe that the operations of a provider 7 put the health, safety, rights or welfare of the individuals served by the provider at risk, the 8 9 department shall deem the provider to be unqualified for a length of time as determined by the department. The provider may not be deemed qualified until the department has con-10 firmed that all concerns have been remediated. 11 12(5) The department shall prescribe by rule when and for what length of time a provider may be deemed unqualified if the provider: 13 (a) Repeatedly violates an individual's rights; 14 15 (b) Fails to make a mandatory abuse report; 16 (c) Is the subject of repeated substantiated allegations of abuse; (d) Fails to complete plans of correction in a timely fashion; 1718 (e) Repeatedly fails to maintain appropriate, qualified staffing levels; 19 (f) Repeatedly fails to provide access to needed care or services; or (g) Repeatedly fails to document and report incidents as required by state or federal law. 2021