

Requested by Senator GELSER BLOUIN

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
SENATE BILL 296**

1 On page 2 of the printed bill, delete lines 25 through 45.

2 On page 3, delete lines 1 through 23 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 4. (1) As used in this section:**

4 **“(a) ‘Adult foster home’ has the meaning given that term in ORS**  
5 **443.705.**

6 **“(b) ‘Enhanced care services’ means intensive behavioral and**  
7 **rehabilitative mental health services provided to eligible seniors or**  
8 **persons with physical disabilities who reside in adult foster homes or**  
9 **residential care facilities licensed by the Department of Human Ser-**  
10 **vices.**

11 **“(c) ‘Residential care facility’ has the meaning given that term in**  
12 **ORS 443.400.**

13 **“(d) ‘Specific needs contract’ means a contract between the De-**  
14 **partment of Human Services and an adult foster home or residential**  
15 **care facility to reimburse the adult foster home or residential care**  
16 **facility at a higher rate for a resident whose care needs exceed the**  
17 **level of services that the adult foster home or residential care facility**  
18 **would typically provide.**

19 **“(2) The Department of Human Services and the Oregon Health**  
20 **Authority shall study the regulatory framework for adult foster homes**  
21 **and residential care facilities that serve eligible seniors or persons**

1 with physical disabilities who have complex medical or behavioral  
2 health conditions. In conducting the study, the department and the  
3 authority shall:

4 “(a) Assess the resources needed to expand existing enhanced care  
5 services and specific needs contracts statewide, including the public  
6 and private sector workforce needed to implement:

7 “(A) Any proposed expansion of enhanced care services or specific  
8 needs contracts; or

9 “(B) Other models for supporting adult foster homes and residential  
10 care facilities that serve eligible seniors or persons with physical dis-  
11 abilities who have complex medical or behavioral health conditions;

12 “(b) Evaluate the impact on eligible seniors and persons with  
13 physical disabilities who have complex medical or behavioral health  
14 conditions of having separate licensing requirements for adult foster  
15 homes and residential care facilities licensed by:

16 “(A) The division of the department that provides services for sen-  
17 iors and persons with physical disabilities; and

18 “(B) The authority; and

19 “(c) Review the use and impact of civil penalties assessed against  
20 residential care facilities and adult foster homes.

21 “(3) The department and the authority shall submit a report in the  
22 manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations  
23 for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly  
24 related to health and human services no later than August 15, 2026.

25 “(4)(a) The department and the Housing and Community Services  
26 Department shall study:

27 “(A) Opportunities to offset the cost of creating new adult foster  
28 homes and other community-based care settings; and

29 “(B) The impact on adult foster homes and other community-based  
30 care settings of new building code requirements, including the instal-

1 **lation of automatic sprinkler systems.**

2 **“(b) The Department of Human Services and the Housing and**  
3 **Community Services Department shall submit a report in the manner**  
4 **provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legis-**  
5 **lation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related**  
6 **to health and human services no later than August 15, 2026.”.**

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