

Senate Bill 174

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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 **as introduced**.

Appropriates moneys to Department of Human Services to collaborate with Oregon Health Authority to establish Center of Excellence on Behavioral Health for Older Adults and People with Disabilities. Specifies functions of center.

Declares emergency, effective on July 1, 2019.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to behavioral health; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. The Department of Human Services, in collaboration with the Oregon Health**
5 **Authority, shall establish a statewide Center of Excellence on Behavioral Health for Older**
6 **Adults and People with Disabilities. The center shall:**

7 (1) **Promote the behavioral health of older adults and people with disabilities residing in**
8 **this state through a network of state and local services and support systems that reach out**
9 **to older adults and people with disabilities who have mental health and substance use disor-**
10 **ders;**

11 (2) **Identify and emphasize programs, research, technology and policy issues addressing**
12 **behavioral health for older adults and people with disabilities who have mental health or**
13 **substance use disorders; and**

14 (3) **Provide leadership, best practices, support and training focusing on behavioral health**
15 **issues related to older adults and people with disabilities who have mental health or sub-**
16 **stance use disorders.**

17 **SECTION 2. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-**
18 **priated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out**
19 **of the General Fund, the amount of \$2 million, which may be expended for carrying out**
20 **section 1 of this 2019 Act.**

21 (2) **The department shall enter into an interagency agreement with the Oregon Health**
22 **Authority to transfer a portion of the funds appropriated by this section from the depart-**
23 **ment to the authority to be expended by the authority in carrying out its responsibilities**
24 **under section 1 of this 2019 Act.**

25 **SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
26 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
27 **July 1, 2019.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.