

Senate Bill 272

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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**.

Requires Oregon Health Authority to study and make recommendations to interim committees of Legislative Assembly, no later than September 15, 2022, for legislative changes needed to increase access to behavioral health services for all Oregonians.

Sunset January 2, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to behavioral health services.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall study and evaluate possible ap-**
5 **proaches to increasing access to behavioral health services throughout this state. Based on**
6 **the authority's study and evaluation, the authority shall develop recommendations for legis-**
7 **lative concepts to increase access to behavioral health services for all Oregonians and par-**
8 **ticularly to Oregonians in rural areas of this state and to medically underserved populations.**

9 (2) No later than September 15, 2022, the authority shall report its recommendations, in
10 the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly
11 related to behavioral health.

12 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.**
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