

House Bill 2507

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

Digest: The Act tells the ADPC and SOCAC to study ways to improve treatment services for youth with two or more diagnoses. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.6).

Directs the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, in collaboration with the System of Care Advisory Council, to study needed treatment and recovery services for youth with co-occurring diagnoses and the barriers to accessing and receiving holistic services. Requires the commission and the council to report to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.

Sunset on January 2, 2027.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to treatment for youth with co-occurring diagnoses; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

5 (a) **“Co-occurring diagnoses” means:**

6 (A) **Diagnoses of two or more of the following behavioral health disorders:**

7 (i) **A substance use disorder;**

8 (ii) **A mental health disorder;**

9 (iii) **An eating disorder; or**

10 (iv) **Compulsive gambling disorder; or**

11 (B) **A diagnosis of a behavioral health disorder listed in subparagraph (A) of this para-**
12 **graph at the same time as a diagnosis of:**

13 (i) **An intellectual or developmental disability; or**

14 (ii) **A physical health condition.**

15 (b) **“Youth” means individuals between the ages of 11 and 25.**

16 (2) **The Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, in collaboration with the System of Care**
17 **Advisory Council established in ORS 418.978, shall study needed treatment and recovery**
18 **services for youth with co-occurring diagnoses and the barriers to accessing and receiving**
19 **holistic services. In conducting the study, the commission and the council shall examine:**

20 (a) **Existing state and local programs that aim to provide treatment and recovery ser-**
21 **vices for youth with co-occurring diagnoses, including:**

22 (A) **Any deficiencies in existing programs with regard to reimbursement or the array of**
23 **services offered; and**

24 (B) **The accessibility of existing programs across health coverage status;**

25 (b) **The adequacy of the provider base for treatment and recovery services for youth with**
26 **co-occurring diagnoses to meet the need for services; and**

27 (c) **Any statutes, rules or licensing requirements that pose a barrier to service delivery**

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.

1 or the financial stability of providing treatment and recovery services for youth with co-
2 occurring diagnoses.

3 (3) No later than September 15, 2026, the commission and the council shall report to the
4 interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health, in the manner provided
5 by ORS 192.245, on the findings of the study conducted under this section and shall include
6 recommendations about:

7 (a) Ways to improve, adapt or expand existing state or local programs that are capable
8 of providing treatment and recovery services for youth with co-occurring diagnoses;

9 (b) Incentives and workforce programs to address any deficiencies in the workforce
10 serving youth with co-occurring diagnoses;

11 (c) Changes to statutes, rules or licensing requirements that pose barriers to service
12 delivery or the financial stability of providing treatment and recovery services for youth with
13 co-occurring diagnoses; and

14 (d) Resource allocations to improve the accessibility of treatment and recovery services
15 for youth with co-occurring diagnoses regardless of health coverage status.

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

17 SECTION 3. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
18 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect
19 on its passage.
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