



Sunday, June 25, 2023

Lori Brocker
Secretary of the Senate

James Goulding
Publications Coordinator

Subject: Vote Explanation HB 2757 B

Dear Secretary Brocker and Publications Coordinator Goulding,

Please accept this vote explanation for HB 2757 B to become a permanent entry in the journal:

In attempt to comply with [Senate Rule 13.02](#), Oregon Statute [ORS 171.134](#), and [Legislative Councils Form and Style Manual](#), I am submitting the following revised measure summary:

The bill makes the 9-8-8 Trust Fund and says that money in the fund can be used to improve the 9-8-8 suicide prevention and behavioral health crisis hotline and the coordinated crisis system that serves the whole state. The bill creates a new 40 cent tax that starts on January 1, 2024. The tax is for each month and on each phone line for people who subscribe to telecom or VOIP service. The tax will also be on prepaid telecom services. The tax goes to the new 9-8-8 Trust Fund. The bill states that no local governments can make a new tax, fee, or charge for 9-8-8. The bill states that a crisis hotline center must have policies and must have staff training on racially and ethnically diverse communities and that the hotline staff have people who have the language and culture knowledge and skills to respond to the people in the communities that they serve. The bill states cities must have a memo of understanding (MOU) with a county when they provide the mobile crisis service and states what should be in the MOUs when they are made. The bill states OHA must establish a committee to give oversight and the direction for the state coordinated crisis system. The bill provides a source of funds for the DOR to administer the new tax, and it sets an end date for the tax as December 31, 2029. The bill takes effect on 91st day post sine die.

FLESCH SCORE: 60

Senate President Robert Wagner has also submitted this redrafted summary in the form of the 3rd Reading Measure Digest as a floor letter in an attempt to comply with [Senate Rule 13.02](#), Oregon Statute [ORS 171.134](#), and [Legislative Councils Form and Style Manual](#).

Additionally, this revised summary has been read on the record by the bill carrier.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator David Brock Smith
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