

SUMMARY: An ordinance amending Washoe County Code Chapter 45 (Public Welfare) by repealing Section 45.430, which contains provisions pertaining to adult day health services/daybreak programs; making minor modifications to reflect gender-neutral and/or permissive language, job title, and selection process; and updating language regarding program funding management and availability.

BILL NO. _____

ORDINANCE NO. _____

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING WASHOE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 45 (PUBLIC WELFARE) BY REPEALING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO ADULT DAY HEALTH SERVICES/DAYBREAK PROGRAMS; MAKING MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO REFLECT GENDER-NEUTRAL AND/OR PERMISSIVE LANGUAGE, JOB TITLE, AND SELECTION PROCESS; UPDATING LANGUAGE REGARDING PROGRAM FUNDING MANAGEMENT AND AVAILABILITY; AND OTHER MATTERS NECESSARILY CONNECTED THEREWITH AND PERTAINING THERETO.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE DO ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. Section 45.430 of the Washoe County Code relating to adult day health services/daybreak programs is hereby repealed in its entirety and shall read as follows:

~~45.430 Adult day health services/daybreak program.~~

~~The division of senior services shall provide a therapeutic activity program for disabled adults and the elderly, as licensed by the state board of licensure and certification, to include:~~

- ~~1. Needs assessments;~~
- ~~2. Nursing services;~~
- ~~3. Rehabilitation services;~~
- ~~4. Psycho-social intervention services;~~
- ~~5. Nutrition services; and~~
- ~~6. Special activities.~~

45.430 - Reserved.

SECTION 2. Section 45.410 of the Washoe County Code relating to division directors is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

45.410 - Division directors: Positions created; powers and duties.

The positions of division directors of the Washoe County Division of Adult Services, Division of Child Services and Division of Senior Services under the human services agency are hereby created shall be appointed positions. The position of the director of human services is hereby authorized, at his discretion, to appoint, pursuant to the provisions of ~~chapter~~ **Chapter** 5 of this Code regulating county personnel, a division director for each of the divisions of the department to perform the following duties and responsibilities:

1. A division director shall direct and supervise the operations of the division to which he **or she** has been appointed.
2. A division director shall, with the approval of the director of human services and county manager, **select or** appoint such technical, clerical and operating staff as are determined to be necessary for proper operation of the division to which the division director has been appointed.
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4. A division director shall act as the contract administrator for contracts which relate to the division to which he **or she** has been appointed by the director.
5. A division director of the division to which he **or she** has been appointed shall submit to the **department** director for his/**her** approval an annual budget, which will then be submitted to the board in the same manner as is required for other department heads.

SECTION 3. Section 45.435 of the Washoe County Code relating to the Homemaker Program is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

45.435 - Homemaker program.

Based on availability of funding, the ~~The~~ division of senior services ~~shall~~ **may** provide assistance to eligible seniors

in the performance of housekeeping and daily living activities.

SECTION 4. Section 45.445 of the Washoe County Code relating to the Nutrition Program is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

45.445 - Nutrition program.

Based on availability of funding, the ~~The~~ division of senior services ~~shall~~ **may** provide for the preparation, transport and provision of meals for eligible seniors at both the agency facility and through home delivery.

SECTION 5. Section 45.450 of the Washoe County Code relating to the Representative Payee Program is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

45.450 - Representative payee program.

Based on availability of funding, the ~~The~~ division of senior services ~~shall~~ **may** serve as representative payee and/or contract out for this service for social security and social security disability benefits on behalf of eligible seniors. **If the division of senior services serves as the representative payee directly, the division of senior services must establish a trust fund for said purpose, and using said trust fund, the division of senior services must** ~~The division of senior services shall establish a trust fund for said purpose,~~ receive, and disburse funds, and account for said funds in accordance with federal regulations.

SECTION 6. Section 45.455 of the Washoe County Code relating to the Human Services Program is hereby amended and shall read as follows:

45.455 - Human services program.

The division of senior services, through **caseworkers** ~~social workers licensed by the state,~~ shall provide support services to assist seniors in accessing or facilitating access to needed services, programs and benefits including, but not limited to, assessment/screening, advocacy, case management, outreach, information/referral, counseling and education.

[Business Impact Note: The Board of County Commissioners hereby finds that this ordinance does not impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a business, nor does it directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a business.]

Proposed on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

Proposed by Commissioner _____.

Passed on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

Vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Chair
Washoe County Commission

ATTEST:

County Clerk

This ordinance shall be in force and effect from and after _____, 2025.