

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 992

Ordered by the Senate April 19
Including Senate Amendments dated April 19

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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.

[Directs Department of Corrections to conduct study on adequacy of funding for counties for community corrections programs and present report on findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to judiciary on or before September 15, 2020.]

[Sunsets January 2, 2021.]

Directs Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to establish pilot program to provide grants for permanent supportive housing for individuals recently released from custody for purposes of reducing recidivism, increasing housing stability and reducing use of emergency room and inpatient services.

Defines requirements for grant eligibility.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Criminal Justice Commission for certain biennial expenses.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to community corrections.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission shall establish a pilot program**
5 **to provide grants to entities to fund permanent supportive housing for individuals recently**
6 **released from custody for the purpose of reducing recidivism, increasing housing stability**
7 **and reducing use of emergency room and inpatient services.**

8 **(2) A governmental or nongovernmental entity may apply for a grant under subsection**
9 **(1) of this section independently or in collaboration with other governmental or nongovern-**
10 **mental entities.**

11 **(3) In order to qualify for a grant under subsection (1) of this section, the permanent**
12 **supportive housing must:**

13 **(a) Provide at least 36 months of affordable housing and evidence-based treatment ser-**
14 **vices to adults who:**

15 **(A) Within the prior six months have been released from custody with the Department**
16 **of Corrections, Oregon Youth Authority or Federal Bureau of Prisons;**

17 **(B) Need housing as determined by an appropriate housing assessment tool;**

18 **(C) Are a medium to very high risk to recidivate as determined by an appropriate as-**
19 **essment tool; and**

20 **(D) Have at least six months remaining of post-prison supervision; and**

21 **(b) Give preference to individuals who are ineligible for federal housing resources due to**
22 **criminal history.**

23 **(4) The evidence-based treatment services described in subsection (3)(a) of this section**

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 **must include individualized and active case management, cognitive behavioral therapy, drug**
2 **and alcohol screening, recovery support, mental health services, employment assistance,**
3 **education programming and mentorship.**

4 (5)(a) **A grant recipient under this section shall track objectively measurable data re-**
5 **garding recidivism rates, housing stability and use of emergency rooms and inpatient ser-**
6 **vices and provide annually to the commission a report that includes the objectively**
7 **measurable data.**

8 (b) **The report described in paragraph (a) of this subsection must also include an ac-**
9 **counting of moneys received under this section and an explanation of how those moneys were**
10 **used to accomplish the goals described in subsection (1) of this section.**

11 (c) **The commission may, in its discretion, continue funding a grant recipient if the grant**
12 **recipient has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the commission the ability to achieve the**
13 **goals described in subsection (1) of this section.**

14 (6) **The commission shall establish rules and procedures necessary to administer the pilot**
15 **program established under subsection (1) of this section.**

16 (7) **The commission shall report on the progress of the pilot program established under**
17 **subsection (1) of this section, in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, to the committees or**
18 **interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary no later than Sep-**
19 **tember 15, 2021.**

20 **SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
21 **ated to the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019,**
22 **out of the General Fund, the amount of \$3,200,000, for the purpose of administering the pilot**
23 **program described in section 1 of this 2019 Act.**