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Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE (at the request of Oregon School-Based Health Alliance)

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 130**

1 Delete lines 4 through 23 of the printed bill and insert:

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

3 **“(a) ‘Distant site’ means the site where a physician licensed under**
4 **ORS chapter 677, or other licensed health care practitioner, who pro-**
5 **vides health care services through telehealth is located at the time the**
6 **physician or licensed health care practitioner provides the health care**
7 **service through telehealth.**

8 **“(b) ‘Originating site’ means the site where the patient is located**
9 **at the time the patient receives health care services provided through**
10 **telehealth.**

11 **“(c) ‘School-based health center’ has the meaning given that term**
12 **in ORS 413.225.**

13 **“(d) ‘School nurse’ means:**

14 **“(A) A school nurse as defined in ORS 342.455; or**

15 **“(B) A registered nurse who is an employee or contractor of a**
16 **school district and who practices nursing in a school setting.**

17 **“(e) ‘Telehealth’ means the use of electronic and telecommuni-**
18 **cation technologies to deliver health care services to a patient.**

19 **“(2)(a) The Oregon Health Authority shall award grant moneys to**
20 **an eligible school-based health center pilot project to expand student**
21 **access to mental and physical health care services and to improve the**

1 health and education outcomes of students through the use of tele-
2 health.

3 “(b) To be eligible for a grant under this subsection, a school-based
4 health center shall enter into a pilot project agreement with a school
5 district. The pilot project agreement must provide that:

6 “(A) The school-based health center is the distant site that provides
7 telehealth in conjunction with a school nurse located at the originat-
8 ing site; and

9 “(B) The school-based health center will allocate to the school dis-
10 trict a portion of funds received under this subsection to increase
11 school nurse capacity and assist in offsetting costs incurred by the
12 school district as a result of the school district’s participation in the
13 pilot project.

14 “(c) Funds described in this subsection may be used to:

15 “(A) Compensate the following individuals for services provided
16 pursuant to a pilot project:

17 “(i) A school nurse;

18 “(ii) A licensed health care practitioner located at a school-based
19 health center; and

20 “(iii) Administrative or technical staff at a school-based health
21 center;

22 “(B) Cover the costs of:

23 “(i) Technical equipment necessary to provide telehealth; and

24 “(ii) Technical assistance related to the use and function of equip-
25 ment necessary to provide telehealth; and

26 “(C) Cover other costs related to the pilot project’s provision of
27 telehealth.

28 “(3) The authority:

29 “(a) Shall assist school-based health centers and school districts
30 that enter into pilot project agreements in the efficient use of funds

1 distributed under subsection (2) of this section.

2 “(b) May coordinate with one or more statewide nonprofit organ-
3 izations that have experience in supporting school-based health cen-
4 ters and school nurses to carry out this section.

5 “(4) A school-based health center that operates a pilot project shall
6 report, on an interval determined by the authority, to the authority
7 on the progress of the pilot project in a manner that allows the au-
8 thority to determine the effectiveness of the pilot project.

9 “(5) The authority shall establish a process to evaluate at least the
10 following information regarding a pilot project established under this
11 section:

12 “(a) Billing practices and reimbursements;

13 “(b) Access to health care services;

14 “(c) Impact on student absence from schools; and

15 “(d) Workflow practices.

16 “(6) Not later than December 31, 2023, the authority shall submit a
17 report, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to an interim commit-
18 tee of the Legislative Assembly related to health care, on the effec-
19 tiveness and success of pilot projects established under this section.
20 The authority may include in the report submitted under this sub-
21 section recommendations for legislation.

22 “SECTION 2. There is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority,
23 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the
24 amount of \$950,000 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of
25 section 1 of this 2019 Act.

26 “SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on January 2,
27 2024.

28 “SECTION 4. (1) Section 1 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on
29 January 1, 2020.

30 “(2) The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the

1 **operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is neces-**
2 **sary to enable the authority to exercise, on and after the operative**
3 **date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, func-**
4 **tions and powers conferred on the authority by section 1 of this 2019**
5 **Act.**

6 **“SECTION 5. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the**
7 **date on which the 2019 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative**
8 **Assembly adjourns sine die.”**

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