

Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 141**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 29 and delete page
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall issue grants to**
4 **hospitals in this state for the purpose of establishing and maintaining,**
5 **or contracting with a third party to provide, a process for providing**
6 **caring contacts to patients who present in the emergency department**
7 **with suicidal ideation or attempted suicide, as may be required under**
8 **ORS 441.053 or by rules adopted by the authority under ORS 441.053.**

9 **“(2) A hospital may use grant moneys received under this section**
10 **for costs incurred on or after January 1, 2019, that are associated with**
11 **establishing and maintaining, or contracting to provide, a process de-**
12 **scribed in subsection 1 of this section.**

13 **“(3) The authority may determine the amount of a grant issued to**
14 **a hospital under this section.**

15 **“(4) The authority may, by rule, establish procedures by which a**
16 **hospital may apply for grants under this section.**

17 **“SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall study the ex-**
18 **isting barriers within each community in this state that limit the**
19 **availability of appropriate follow-up care for patients released or dis-**
20 **charged from a hospital following treatment for a behavioral health**
21 **crisis. The authority shall develop recommendations on how to reduce**

1 or remove the existing barriers and increase patient access to provid-
2 ers in a given community that may support the needs of the patient
3 after being released or discharged from a hospital following treatment
4 for a behavioral health crisis.

5 “(2) The authority shall submit a report on the findings and rec-
6 ommendations described in subsection (1) of this section, and may in-
7 clude recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the
8 Legislative Assembly related to health care, in the manner provided
9 by ORS 192.245, no later than October 15, 2020.

10 “SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
11 ation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority, for the
12 biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount
13 of \$4,000,000 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section
14 1 of this 2019 Act.

15 “SECTION 4. Section 1 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on July
16 1, 2019.

17 “SECTION 5. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2019 Act are repealed on June
18 30, 2021.

19 “SECTION 6. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
21 declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.”.

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