

Requested by Senator GELSER

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 707**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “ORS” insert “418.731 and”.

2 Delete lines 5 through 25 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) There is created a Youth Suicide Intervention and**
4 **Prevention Advisory Committee to advise the Oregon Health Authority**
5 **on the development and administration of strategies to address suicide**
6 **intervention and prevention for children and youth 10 through 24 years**
7 **of age. The Director of the Oregon Health Authority shall appoint**
8 **members of the advisory committee and members shall serve at the**
9 **pleasure of the director. The authority shall provide staffing for the**
10 **advisory committee.**

11 **“(2) The director shall ensure that advisory committee membership**
12 **reflects the cultural, linguistic, geographic and economic diversity of**
13 **this state. The members of the advisory committee must include, but**
14 **need not be limited to:**

15 **“(a) Individuals who have survived suicide attempts;**

16 **“(b) Individuals who have lost friends or family members to suicide;**

17 **“(c) Individuals who have not attained 21 years of age;**

18 **“(d) Representatives of state agencies, including but not limited to**
19 **the Department of Human Services, the Oregon Health Authority and**
20 **the Department of Education, who provide services to individuals who**
21 **have not attained 21 years of age;**

1 “(e) Representatives of Oregon Indian tribes;
2 “(f) Representatives of colleges and universities;
3 “(g) Medical and behavioral treatment providers;
4 “(h) Representatives of hospitals and health systems;
5 “(i) Representatives of coordinated care organizations and private
6 insurers;

7 “(j) Suicide prevention specialists; and

8 “(k) Representatives of members of the military and their families.

9 “(3) Members of the advisory committee other than members em-
10 ployed in full-time public service may be compensated for their ser-
11 vices and may be reimbursed by the authority for the member’s actual
12 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of the member’s
13 duties. Members of the advisory committee who are employed in full-
14 time public service may be reimbursed by the member’s employing
15 agency for the member’s actual and necessary expenses incurred in
16 the performance of the member’s duties. Reimbursements under this
17 subsection are subject to the provisions of ORS 292.210 to 292.288.

18 “(4) The advisory committee shall meet no less than once every
19 three months.

20 “(5) The advisory committee may recommend potential members for
21 appointment to the advisory committee.

22 “(6) The advisory committee shall consult with the Youth Suicide
23 Intervention and Prevention Coordinator on updates to the Youth Su-
24icide Intervention and Prevention Plan under ORS 418.733.

25 “**SECTION 2.** ORS 418.731 is amended to read:

26 “418.731. (1) As used in this section and ORS 418.733:

27 “(a) ‘Youth’ means a person 10 through 24 years of age.

28 “(b) ‘Youth suicide’ means a completed or attempted suicide by a person
29 10 through 24 years of age.

30 “(2) There is established a Youth Suicide Intervention and Prevention

1 Coordinator within that part of the Oregon Health Authority that works
2 with mental health and addiction issues. The coordinator shall:

3 “(a) Facilitate the development of a statewide strategic Youth Suicide
4 Intervention and Prevention Plan to address youth suicide and youth self-
5 inflicted injury, and develop strategies for intervention with suicidal, de-
6 pressed and at-risk youth;

7 “(b) Improve outreach to special populations of youth that are at risk for
8 suicide and self-inflicted injury;

9 “(c) Identify barriers to accessing intervention services for suicidal, de-
10 pressed and at-risk youth; and

11 “(d) Provide technical assistance to state and local partners and coordi-
12 nate interagency efforts to establish youth suicide and youth self-inflicted
13 injury prevention and intervention strategies.

14 “(3) The coordinator shall review data and prepare an annual report to
15 interim and regular committees of the Legislative Assembly with subject
16 matter jurisdiction over child welfare, mental health and addiction issues,
17 and to the Oregon Health Authority, regarding:

18 “(a) The number of emergency room admissions for completed and at-
19 tempted youth suicides and incidents of youth self-inflicted injury;

20 “(b) The manner and method of completed and attempted youth suicides
21 and incidents of youth self-inflicted injury;

22 “(c) The counties in which the completed and attempted suicides and
23 self-injury incidents occurred;

24 “(d) The number of middle schools and high schools with completed youth
25 suicides among the student body;

26 “(e) The number of completed youth suicides where the youth had previ-
27 ously been admitted to a hospital or emergency room for treatment of at-
28 tempted youth suicide or self-inflicted injury or had been the subject of a
29 request for intervention services related to depression, suicidal ideation or
30 self-injury within the prior 12 months; *[and]*

1 “(f) Demographic information regarding youth who completed or at-
2 tempted youth suicide or who had self-injury incidents, including but not
3 limited to:

4 “(A) Age;

5 “(B) Gender;

6 “(C) Race;

7 “(D) Primary spoken language;

8 “(E) Sexual orientation;

9 “(F) The existence of any physical, mental, intellectual or emotional dis-
10 ability; and

11 “(G) Foster care status[.]; **and**

12 “(g) **Recommendations for administrative and legislative changes**
13 **to address service gaps in youth suicide prevention, intervention and**
14 **post-suicide activities, developed in consultation with the Youth Sui-**
15 **cide Intervention and Prevention Advisory Committee established in**
16 **section 1 of this 2019 Act.**

17 **“SECTION 3.** ORS 418.733 is amended to read:

18 “418.733. The Youth Suicide Intervention and Prevention Coordinator, **in**
19 **consultation with the Youth Suicide Intervention and Prevention Ad-**
20 **visory Committee established in section 1 of this 2019 Act,** shall update
21 the Youth Suicide Intervention and Prevention Plan under ORS 418.731 a
22 minimum of once every five years. Updates must include, but are not limited
23 to:

24 “(1) An assessment of current access to mental health intervention,
25 treatment and support for depressed or suicidal youth, including
26 affordability, timeliness, cultural appropriateness and availability of quali-
27 fied providers;

28 “(2) Recommendations to improve access to appropriate mental health
29 intervention, treatment and support for depressed or suicidal youth, includ-
30 ing affordability, timeliness, cultural appropriateness and availability of

1 qualified providers;

2 “(3) Recommendations for best practices to identify and intervene with
3 youth who are depressed, suicidal or at risk for infliction of self-injury;

4 “(4) Recommendations for collaboration among schools, school-based
5 health clinics and coordinated care organizations for school-based screening
6 for depression and risk of suicide or infliction of self-injury among middle
7 school and high school students;

8 “(5) Recommendations related to the use of social media and the Internet
9 to provide opportunities for intervention and prevention of youth suicide and
10 self-inflicted injury;

11 “(6) Recommendations regarding services and strategies to respond to
12 schools and communities following a completed youth suicide;

13 “(7) Identification of intervention and prevention strategies used by other
14 states with the five lowest rates of youth suicide and self-inflicted injuries;
15 and

16 “(8) A comparison of Oregon’s youth suicide and self-inflicted injury rates
17 with those of other states.

18 **“SECTION 4. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the**
19 **date on which the 2019 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative**
20 **Assembly adjourns sine die.”.**

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