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**To:** Human Services Subcommittee

**From:** Tom MacDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** June 15, 2021

**Subject:** HB 3045 – Relating to mental health drugs

HB 3045 changes the sunset date requiring the Oregon Health Authority to reimburse the cost of a mental health drug prescribed to medical assistance recipients from January 2, 2022 to January 2, 2026. The measure prohibits OHA from requiring prior authorization for any mental health drug prescribed for a medical assistance recipient if the claims history available to OHA shows the recipient has been in a course of treatment with the drug during the preceding year, or if a prescription for a mental health drug specifies “dispense as written” or similar.

The fiscal impact is expected to be minimal in 2021-23 and 2023-25. Minimal costs could occur in the latter part of the 2023-25 biennium related to modifications to the Medicaid Management Information System to allow a bypass of prior authorization requirements. Any additional fiscal impact to OHA related to the prohibition on requirement of prior authorization will also likely be minimal and not occur until the 2025-27 biennium

The measure previously had hearings in the House Behavioral Health Committee on 2/10/2021 and 3/8/2021 and was reported out do pass.

### **Final Subcommittee Action**

LFO recommends HB 3045 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

### **Carriers**

Full Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

House Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

Senate Floor: \_\_\_\_\_