

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2015

Relating to behavioral health

To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Public Safety Subcommittee
Carrier:	Representative Evans

HB 2015 requires the Oregon Health Authority to submit three reports to the Legislature.

The first report, due by September 15, 2026, should review alternative payment methods for residential facilities, explore alternatives or exceptions to nurse staffing requirements in these facilities and evaluate strategies to fill the capacity of newly licensed facilities.

The second and third reports require OHA to report on the implementation of new administrative rules and the separate licensing process for transition-aged youth residential homes. OHA must submit a progress report by September 1, 2025, and a final report with recommendations for the Legislature on September 1, 2026.

The amendment adds funding for the measure including \$1.3 million General Fund and \$977,888 Federal Funds to support contract costs and seven limited-duration positions.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 2015 be amended by the –A4 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.