

Requested by Senator SMITH DB

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4028**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “and” delete the rest of the line
2 and line 3 and insert “declaring an emergency.”.

3 On page 7, delete lines 33 and 34 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 8. (1) As used in this section, ‘2004 Report’ means the**
5 **2004 report submitted to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly**
6 **titled ‘A Blueprint for Action: Transforming the Mental Health System**
7 **in Oregon.’**

8 **“(2) The Oregon Health Authority, in consultation with the Oregon**
9 **State Hospital, Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office, Psychiatric Se-**
10 **curity Review Board, Association of Oregon Counties and League of**
11 **Oregon Cities, shall conduct a comprehensive study to evaluate the**
12 **State of Oregon’s progress toward achieving the objectives outlined in**
13 **the 2004 Report. The study shall assess the state’s progress in imple-**
14 **menting the 2004 Report’s key goals, including:**

15 **“(a) Reducing reliance on the Oregon State Hospital for long-term**
16 **psychiatric care;**

17 **“(b) Expanding and strengthening community-based behavioral**
18 **health services commensurate with Oregon State Hospital capacity**
19 **reductions;**

20 **“(c) Increasing availability and accessibility of crisis intervention,**
21 **supported housing, outpatient treatment, peer-delivered services and**

1 culturally appropriate care;

2 “(d) Improving coordination between state and local governments,
3 law enforcement, health systems and housing providers;

4 “(e) Promoting equity in behavioral health care access and ad-
5 dressing disparities among underserved communities; and

6 “(f) Assessing the performance of Oregon’s behavioral health sys-
7 tem relative to other states.

8 “(3) In conducting the study under this section, the authority shall:

9 “(a) Use data from 2004 to the present to analyze changes in:

10 “(A) Inpatient capacity and average census at the Oregon State
11 Hospital;

12 “(B) The quantity, distribution and utilization of community mental
13 health programs in this state;

14 “(C) Rates of civil commitment, emergency holds and use of the
15 Psychiatric Security Review Board;

16 “(D) State and local investments in community-based behavioral
17 health infrastructure; and

18 “(E) Outcomes for individuals with serious and persistent mental
19 illness, including housing status, criminal justice involvement and
20 hospitalization rates.

21 “(b) Include input from stakeholders, including:

22 “(A) Individuals with lived experience of mental health or substance
23 use disorders and the families of those individuals;

24 “(B) Local mental health authorities as defined in ORS 430.630;

25 “(C) Nonprofit service providers;

26 “(D) Behavioral health providers, including peer support specialists
27 as defined in ORS 414.025;

28 “(E) The Association of Oregon Counties; and

29 “(F) The League of Oregon Cities.

30 “(4) No later than September 15, 2027, the authority shall submit a

1 report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 to the interim commit-
2 tees of the Legislative Assembly related to health care and human
3 services. For the purpose of providing public access to the report, the
4 authority shall post the report on the authority's website and submit
5 the report to the State Library. The report shall:

6 “(a) Summarize progress and gaps in implementing the 2004 Report;

7 “(b) Identify barriers to achieving a community-based behavioral
8 health system;

9 “(c) Provide recommendations for legislative action to fulfill re-
10 maining goals; and

11 “(d) Include a side-by-side comparison of the 2004 Report recom-
12 mendations and current outcomes.

13 “SECTION 9. Section 8 of this 2026 Act is repealed on January 2,
14 2028.

15 “SECTION 10. This 2026 Act being necessary for the immediate
16 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
17 declared to exist, and this 2026 Act takes effect on its passage.”.
