House Bill 4134

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Directs Youth Development Council to allocate funds available to support community-based prevention and intervention programs and services based on indicators of need for youth ages 6 through 20. Requires allocation to take place by public process and be reviewed biennially. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to high-risk youth; amending ORS 417.850, 417.855 and 417.857; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 417.855 is amended to read:

417.855. (1) Each board of county commissioners and tribal government shall designate an agency or organization to serve as the lead planning organization to [facilitate the creation of a partnership among] partner with state and local public and private entities in each [county] community. [The partnership] Partnerships shall include, but [is] are not limited to, community-based organizations, parents, youth, education representatives, public health representatives, local alcohol and drug planning committees, representatives of the court system, local mental health planning committees, city or municipal representatives and local public safety coordinating councils. [The partnership] Partnerships shall develop [a local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plan] priorities for community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth.

- (2) [The local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans shall use services and activities to] The priorities for community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under this section must meet the needs of a targeted population of youths who:
 - (a) Have more than one of the following risk factors:
- 20 (A) Antisocial behavior;
- 21 (B) Poor family functioning or poor family support;
- (C) Failure in school;

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- (D) Substance abuse problems; or
- 24 (E) Negative peer association; and
 - (b) Are clearly demonstrating at-risk behaviors that have come to the attention of government or community agencies, schools or law enforcement and will lead to imminent or increased involvement in the juvenile justice system.
 - (3)(a) The Youth Development Council shall allocate funds available to support [the local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans to counties based on the youth population age 18 or younger in those counties] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-

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- risk youth based on indicators of need for youth from ages 6 through 20 years. Indicators of need shall be determined by the council based on measures of educational success, labor force participation and criminal involvement. The council shall allocate funds through a public process and review allocations biennially.
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, the Youth Development Council shall [award a minimum grant to small counties. The minimum grant level shall be determined by the council through a public process and reviewed by the council biennially] ensure that minimum grants for community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth are available for each community and tribe.

SECTION 2. ORS 417.850 is amended to read:

- 417.850. The Youth Development Council established by ORS 417.847 shall:
- (1) Review the budget and allocation formula for appropriations for the purpose of juvenile crime prevention;
- (2) Review the [components of local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans] priorities for community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855 and make recommendations to the Governor about the [local plans] programs and services;
- (3) Ensure that high-risk juvenile crime prevention planning criteria are met by state and local public and private entities;
- (4) Recommend high-risk juvenile justice and juvenile crime prevention policies to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly;
- (5) Ensure initiation of contracts based on approved [local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855 and oversee contract changes;
 - (6) Review data and outcome information;
- (7) Establish and publish review and assessment criteria for the [local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855. The criteria shall include, but not be limited to, measuring changes in juvenile crime and juvenile recidivism;
- (8) Review and coordinate county youth diversion plans and basic services grants with the [local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855. Basic services grants may be used for detention and other juvenile department services including:
 - (a) Shelter care:
 - (b) Treatment services;
 - (c) Graduated sanctions; and
 - (d) Aftercare for youth offenders;
- (9) Work to ensure broad-based citizen involvement in the planning and execution of [high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans at both the state and local levels] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855;
- (10) Develop a funding policy that provides incentives for flexible programming and promotes strategies that stress reinvestment in youth;
- (11) Periodically report to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly on the progress of the council;
- (12) Oversee and approve funding and policy recommendations of the state advisory group as

required by the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5601 et seq.; and

(13) Work with tribal governments to develop tribal [high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth.

SECTION 3. ORS 417.857 is amended to read:

417.857. (1) Deschutes County may place greater emphasis on early intervention and work with younger children than required by the Youth Development Council if the county has been granted a waiver pursuant to this section.

- (2) The Youth Development Council shall develop an objective process, review criteria and timetable for consideration of a waiver request. A waiver granted under this section applies to the requirements for basic services grants described in ORS 417.850 (8) and high-risk juvenile crime prevention resources managed by the Youth Development Division. The waiver shall be consistent with the goals of ORS 417.705 to 417.800, 417.850 and 417.855.
- (3) Any documentation required for a waiver under this section shall be obtained to the greatest extent possible from [material contained in the county's juvenile crime prevention plan] the county's community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855 and from material as determined through biennial intergovernmental agreements. The Youth Development Council may ask the county to submit additional information regarding how the county intends to use crime prevention funds under the waiver.
- (4) The Youth Development Council shall grant a waiver or continue a waiver based on criteria that include:
 - (a) The rate of Oregon Youth Authority discretionary bed usage compared to other counties;
- (b) The county's rates of first-time juvenile offenders, chronic juvenile offenders and juvenile recidivism compared to other counties;
- (c) The amount and allocation of expenditures from all funding sources for juvenile crime prevention, including prevention and early intervention strategies, and how the requested waiver addresses the needs and priorities for the target population described in ORS 417.855 and for the target population described in the waiver;
- (d) Inclusion of prevention or early intervention strategies in the [juvenile crime prevention plan] community-based prevention and intervention programs and services for high-risk youth developed under ORS 417.855;
 - (e) Investments in evidence-based crime prevention programs and practices;
- (f) Support of the local public safety coordinating council and the board of county commissioners;
- (g) Local integration practices including citizens, victims, courts, law enforcement, business and schools;
 - (h) Identification of the risk factors for the target population described in the waiver; and
 - (i) Changes in the risk factors for the target population described in the waiver.
- (5) The Youth Development Council shall review and act on any request for a waiver within 90 days after receipt of the request.
- (6) The duration of a waiver granted under this section is four years. Before the expiration of a waiver granted under this section, the county may submit a request for another waiver.
- SECTION 4. This 2014 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2014 Act takes effect on its passage.

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