

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2194

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “411.141” insert a comma.

2 In line 3, delete “and” and after “411.760” insert “and 411.795”.

3 Delete lines 5 through 14 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) The general assistance pilot project is established in the Department of**
5 **Human Services. The department shall conduct outreach to individuals who are likely to**
6 **meet the qualification criteria for the pilot project, and provide aid and services designed to**
7 **assist the individuals in securing housing and Supplemental Security Income benefits or So-**
8 **cial Security Disability Insurance benefits. An individual is qualified to participate in the pilot**
9 **project if the individual:**

10 **“(a) Has been determined by the department to have a disability that would qualify the**
11 **individual for Supplemental Security Income or Social Security Disability Insurance benefits;**

12 **“(b) Is enrolled in the medical assistance program; and**

13 **“(c) Is homeless.**

14 **“(2) The aid and services provided under this section must include, but are not limited**
15 **to:**

16 **“(a) Housing assistance;**

17 **“(b) Cash assistance for personal incidentals; and**

18 **“(c) Assistance in applying for and securing Supplemental Security Income benefits or**
19 **Social Security Disability Insurance benefits.**

20 **“(3) Up to 200 individuals may participate in the pilot project each month.**

21 **“(4) The department shall convene an advisory group consisting of individuals repre-**
22 **senting nonprofit agencies that, as part of their primary mission, advocate for and provide**
23 **services to low income adults. The department shall work with the advisory group to develop**
24 **metrics to evaluate the success of the pilot project in securing for the individuals partic-**
25 **ipating in the pilot project housing and Supplemental Security Income benefits or Social Se-**
26 **curity Disability Insurance benefits.**

27 **“SECTION 1a. The Department of Human Services shall contract with an independent**
28 **entity to conduct an evaluation of the pilot project under section 1 of this 2015 Act using the**
29 **metrics developed under section 1 of this 2015 Act. The department shall report the results**
30 **of the evaluation, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the interim committees of the**
31 **Legislative Assembly related to human services no later than September 15, 2020.”.**

32 On page 2, after line 44, insert:

33 **“SECTION 6. ORS 411.795 is amended to read:**

34 **“411.795. (1) The amount of any general assistance paid under ORS chapter 411 is a claim**
35 **against the property or any interest therein belonging to and a part of the estate of any deceased**

1 recipient or if there be no estate or the estate does not have sufficient assets to satisfy the claim,
2 the estate of the surviving spouse shall be charged for such aid paid to either or both; provided,
3 however, that there shall be no adjustment or recovery of any general assistance correctly paid to
4 or on behalf of any individual under ORS chapter 411 except after the death of such individual and
5 the surviving spouse of the individual, if any, and only at a time when the individual has no sur-
6 viving child who is under 21 years of age or is blind or permanently and totally disabled.

7 “(2) Except where there is a surviving spouse, or a surviving child who is under 21 years of age
8 or is blind or permanently and totally disabled, the amount of any general assistance paid under
9 ORS chapter 411 is a claim against the estate in any conservatorship proceedings and may be paid
10 pursuant to ORS 125.495.

11 “(3) *[Nothing in this section authorizes]* **This section does not authorize** the recovery of the
12 amount of any aid from the estate or the surviving spouse of a recipient to the extent that the need
13 for aid resulted from a crime committed against the recipient.

14 “(4) **This section does not create a claim against the property or interests of a recipient**
15 **for general assistance provided under section 1 of this 2015 Act.”.**

16 In line 45, delete “6” and insert “7”.

17 On page 3, line 15, delete “7” and insert “8”.

18 In line 37, delete “8” and insert “9”.

19 On page 4, line 12, delete “9” and insert “10”.

20 Delete lines 16 and 17 and insert:

21 “**SECTION 11.** ORS 411.795, as amended by section 6 of this 2015 Act, is amended to read:

22 “411.795. (1) The amount of any general assistance paid under ORS chapter 411 is a claim
23 against the property or any interest therein belonging to and a part of the estate of any deceased
24 recipient or if there be no estate or the estate does not have sufficient assets to satisfy the claim,
25 the estate of the surviving spouse shall be charged for such aid paid to either or both; provided,
26 however, that there shall be no adjustment or recovery of any general assistance correctly paid to
27 or on behalf of any individual under ORS chapter 411 except after the death of such individual and
28 the surviving spouse of the individual, if any, and only at a time when the individual has no sur-
29 viving child who is under 21 years of age or is blind or permanently and totally disabled.

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31 or is blind or permanently and totally disabled, the amount of any general assistance paid under
32 ORS chapter 411 is a claim against the estate in any conservatorship proceedings and may be paid
33 pursuant to ORS 125.495.

34 “(3) This section does not authorize the recovery of the amount of any aid from the estate or
35 the surviving spouse of a recipient to the extent that the need for aid resulted from a crime com-
36 mitted against the recipient.

37 “[*(4) This section does not create a claim against the property or interests of a recipient for general*
38 *assistance provided under section 1 of this 2015 Act.*]

39 “**SECTION 12. The amendments to ORS 411.010, 411.081, 411.141, 411.760 and 411.795 by**
40 **sections 7 to 11 of this 2015 Act become operative on January 2, 2019.”.**

41 In line 18, delete “11” and insert “13”.

42 In line 19, delete “12” and insert “14”.