PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 561

1   After line 2 of the printed bill, insert:

2   "Whereas communities and local entities can benefit from the support of

3   the Oregon Health Authority following a suicide; and

4   Whereas this legislation is designed to ensure that expertise in suicide

5   prevention, intervention and post-intervention is readily available in a timely

6   manner; now, therefore,".

7   Delete lines 4 through 16 and insert:

8   "**SECTION 1.** **(1) As used in this section, 'local mental health au-**

9   **thority' has the meaning given that term in ORS 430.630.**

10   **"(2) The Oregon Health Authority shall develop a plan for commu-**

11   **nication among local mental health authorities and local systems to**

12   **improve notifications and information-sharing when a death that is**

13   **suspected to be a suicide involves an individual who is 24 years of age**

14   **or younger. The plan must address community suicide response and**

15   **post-intervention efforts to address loss and the potential of contagion**

16   **risk. The following entities may be involved in developing and imple-**

17   **menting the plan:**

18   **"(a) Public school districts;**

19   **"(b) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002, if the death involves**

20   **an individual who is 24 years of age or younger;**

21   **"(c) Private post-secondary institutions of education, if the death**

22   **involves an individual who is 24 years of age or younger; and**

1   **"(d) Any facility that provides services or resources to runaway or**
2   **homeless youth.**

3   **"(3) Within seven days after a death that is suspected to be a sui-**
4   **cide of an individual 24 years of age or younger, the local mental**
5   **health authority in the area where the suicide occurred shall inform**
6   **the Oregon Health Authority, in a manner and in a format to be de-**
7   **termined by the authority, of activities implemented to support local**
8   **entities and individuals affected by the suicide and to prevent the risk**
9   **of contagion. The authority shall serve as a resource to the local**
10   **mental health authority as needed by the community.".**

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