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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 226

1 Delete lines 5 through 8 of the printed bill and insert:

2 "SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Human Services shall operate 3 three regional crisis outreach and assessment teams to serve the se-4 cure residential training homes and facilities for individuals with in-5 tellectual disabilities who have been committed to the department for 6 residential care, treatment and training under ORS 427.290.

7 "(2) The duties of each regional crisis outreach and assessment
8 team include, but are not limited to:

9 "(a) Responding to requests from homes and facilities for assistance
10 in stabilizing a resident who is exhibiting behavior that threatens the
11 health or safety of the resident, other residents or staff;

"(b) Providing additional staffing support, training and education
 to the homes and facilities;

"(c) Debriefing the staff of the homes and facilities following an
 incident that required intervention by the team;

"(d) Deploying staff to homes and facilities that are experiencing
 staff shortages;

"(e) Conducting outreach, assessment and consultation to agencies
 that refer residents to the homes and facilities; and

"(f) Advocating for residents and educating law enforcement and
 corrections personnel, the Psychiatric Security Review Board and dis trict attorneys about the needs of residents.

"(3) Each regional crisis outreach and assessment team shall have
a dedicated state vehicle to allow the team to respond to crises immediately.

4 "<u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) The Task Force on Client and Staff Safety is es-5 tablished, consisting of 13 members appointed as follows:

6 "(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from
7 among members of the Senate.

8 "(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one
9 member from among members of the House of Representatives.

10 "(c) The Governor shall appoint:

"(A) Two individuals representing labor organizations that repre sent employees of Stabilization and Crisis Units;

"(B) Three individuals who are employed by Stabilization and Crisis
 Units, each representing a different geographic region;

"(C) One individual representing the Oregon Health Authority who
 has expertise in providing mental health services to individuals who
 have dual diagnoses of mental illness and intellectual or develop mental disabilities;

"(D) One individual representing the residents of a Stabilization and
 Crisis Unit or family members of the residents;

21 "(E) One individual from the system described in ORS 192.517;

"(F) One individual from the Oregon Council on Developmental
 Disabilities;

"(G) The director of the developmental disabilities program within
 the Department of Human Services; and

²⁶ "(H) The director of the Stabilization and Crisis Units.

"(2) The task force shall recommend measures to improve the
 safety and success of Stabilization and Crisis Units in this state.

"(3) The task force shall consider and make recommendations for:
"(a) Ensuring the dignity and self-determination of each resident

1 in a Stabilization and Crisis Unit;

"(b) Improving the safety of staff employed by a Stabilization and
Crisis Unit;

4 "(c) Improving the training and support for staff;

5 "(d) Staffing levels;

6 "(e) Reducing incidents of aggressive and assaultive behavior by
7 residents;

8 "(f) Reducing the need for staff to work overtime; and

9 "(g) Improving access to appropriate mental health supports and
 10 intervention methods.

"(4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes
 a quorum for the transaction of business.

"(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a
 majority of the voting members of the task force.

"(6) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as
 chairperson.

"(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority
 shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

"(8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the
call of the chairperson or of a majority of the voting members of the
task force.

"(9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of
 the task force.

"(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to human services as appropriate no later than September 15, 2015.

"(11) The Department of Human Services shall provide staff support
 to the task force.

30 "(12) Members of the task force who are not members of the Leg-

islative Assembly are not entitled to compensation, but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by them in the performance of their official duties in the manner and amounts provided for in ORS 292.495. Claims for expenses incurred in performing functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds appropriated to Department of Human Services for purposes of the task force.

8 "(13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, 9 are directed to assist the task force in the performance of its duties 10 and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to 11 furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force 12 consider necessary to perform their duties.

"SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 31,
2016.".

15 In line 9, delete "2" and insert "4".