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Measure Description:

Directs Center for Health Statistics to establish program allowing individual who is homeless to obtain certified copy of individual's record of live birth, free of charge.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2017-19 Biennium	2019-21 Biennium
General Fund		
Special Payments	50,000	
Total General Fund	\$50,000	\$0

Analysis:

House Bill 2402 with the -4 amendment appropriates \$50,000 General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for the 2017-19 biennium for deposit into the Birth Certificates for Homeless Persons Fund which the bill establishes. Moneys in the funds are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to provide grants to state, regional and local agencies to assist individuals who are homeless obtain their record of live birth. The bill requires OHA to establish a grant program to help individuals who are homeless cover the full or partial cost of obtaining their record of live birth. The bill directs OHA to distribute the grant funds to state, regional and local agencies. The bill authorizes OHA to develop the criteria and the process for these agencies to apply for grants. OHA also has the authority to require grant recipients to report to OHA on their use of grant funding. OHA must begin issuing grants by July 1, 2018. The bill takes effect on the 91st day after the 2017 Legislature adjourns sine die.

This fiscal assumes that OHA will use existing staff and resources to administer this grant program.

This bill requires budgetary action for allocation of General Fund resources.