

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 944 - A3

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Measure Description:

Directs Oregon Health Authority to contract with Oregon-based nonprofit organization with expertise to operate a 24-hour call center dedicated to tracking and providing information about available placement settings for children and adolescent needing high acuity behavioral health services.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2017-19 Biennium	2019-21 Biennium
General Fund		
Professional Services	400,000	400,000
Total General Fund	\$400,000	\$400,000

Analysis:

Senate Bill 944 with the -A3 amendment appropriates \$400,000 General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), directs the agency to contract with an Oregon-based nonprofit organization with the expertise to operate a 24-hour call center dedicated to tracking and providing information about available placement settings for children and adolescent needing high acuity behavioral health services. The call center will also implement processes for service providers to submit data that can be used to assess and monitor daily, statewide capacity for providing high acuity behavioral health services to children and adolescents; recording when the first contact with the call center took place and the appropriate placement.

OHA estimates the contract to operate a call center as specified by the bill to be \$400,000 General Fund per biennium. At this time, the fund source for this impact is 100% General Fund because although the Medicaid administrative match rate is available for work that is beneficial to the Medicaid client population, OHA is unable to determine if this work qualifies.