

## SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 944

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

April 24

- 1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “health” insert “; and declaring an emergency”.
- 2 Delete lines 4 through 12 and insert:
- 3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Youth Acute Behavioral Health Leadership Council is established**
- 4 **in the office of the Governor, consisting of the following members appointed by the Gover-**
- 5 **nor:**
- 6 **“(a) A member representing each of two health care facilities that provide acute psychi-**
- 7 **atric care to children and adolescents;**
- 8 **“(b) One member representing a provider of secure inpatient behavioral health services**
- 9 **to children and adolescents;**
- 10 **“(c) One member representing a provider of residential subacute behavioral health ser-**
- 11 **vices to children and adolescents;**
- 12 **“(d) One member representing providers of home-based acute behavioral health services**
- 13 **to children and adolescents;**
- 14 **“(e) One member representing a coordinated care organization that serves children and**
- 15 **adolescents residing in an urban area of this state;**
- 16 **“(f) One member representing a coordinated care organization that serves children and**
- 17 **adolescents residing in a rural area of this state;**
- 18 **“(g) One director of a county juvenile department;**
- 19 **“(h) One member from a nonprofit organization that represents youths and families in**
- 20 **dependency cases;**
- 21 **“(i) One member representing a tribe;**
- 22 **“(j) One member from an organization that advocates for children and their families;**
- 23 **“(k) On member who is a parent or guardian of a child or an adolescent who has been**
- 24 **involved in the children’s system of care;**
- 25 **“(L) One member who has experienced the children’s system of care;**
- 26 **“(m) One member representing a community mental health program who has experience**
- 27 **with intensive community behavioral health treatment services in an urban area of this**
- 28 **state; and**
- 29 **“(n) One member representing a community mental health program who has experience**
- 30 **with intensive community behavioral health treatment services in a rural area of this state.**
- 31 **“(2) The council shall:**
- 32 **“(a) Clearly define the characteristics of the target population of children and adolescents**
- 33 **to be served by the entity described in paragraph (c) of this subsection;**
- 34 **“(b) Make recommendations for the alignment of sources of funding and policies between**
- 35 **all agencies serving children and adolescents to ensure the implementation of sustainable**

1 behavioral health services is dictated by the needs of the children, the adolescents and their  
2 families; and

3 “(c) Develop a proposal for legislative changes needed to create a single entity to coor-  
4 dinate behavioral health services for the target population defined by the council in para-  
5 graph (a) of this subsection.

6 “(3) The legislative proposal developed by the council under subsection (2) of this section  
7 must:

8 “(a) Be fundamentally cost neutral by reallocating existing resources; and

9 “(b) Ensure that the entity will be responsive to state agency requirements but driven  
10 by and accountable to the needs of the target population.

11 “(4)(a) The council shall report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly  
12 related to human services and health no later than January 31, 2018.

13 “(b) The council shall report its final recommendations to the interim committees of the  
14 Legislative Assembly related to human services and health no later than October 1, 2018.

15 “(5) A majority of the members of the council constitutes a quorum for the transaction  
16 of business.

17 “(6) Official action by the council requires the approval of a majority of the members of  
18 the council.

19 “(7) The council shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

20 “(8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Governor shall make an appointment to be-  
21 come immediately effective.

22 “(9) The council shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson  
23 or of a majority of the members of the council.

24 “(10) The council may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the council.

25 “(11) The Governor’s Behavioral Health Policy Advisor appointed under section 2 of this  
26 2017 Act shall provide staff support to the council.

27 “(12) Members of the council are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for ex-  
28 penses and serve as volunteers on the council.

29 “(13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist  
30 the council in the performance of duties of the council and, to the extent permitted by laws  
31 relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the council  
32 consider necessary to perform their duties.

33 “SECTION 2. The Governor shall appoint a Behavioral Health Policy Advisor within the  
34 office of the Governor who shall be responsible for the coordination of behavioral health  
35 services between all state agencies.

36 “SECTION 3. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall contract with an Oregon-based  
37 nonprofit organization with the expertise to operate a 24-hour call center dedicated to  
38 tracking and providing information about available placement settings for children and ado-  
39 lescents needing high acuity behavioral health services.

40 “(2) The call center shall also be responsible for:

41 “(a) Implementing processes for service providers to submit data that can be used to  
42 assess and monitor, on a daily basis, statewide capacity to provide high acuity behavioral  
43 health services to children and adolescents;

44 “(b) Recording the time from the first contact with the call center to the location of an  
45 appropriate placement; and

1       “(c) Documenting the need for high acuity behavioral health services for children and  
2 adolescents.

3       “SECTION 4. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed on January 2, 2021.

4       “SECTION 5. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
5 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect  
6 on its passage.”.

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