

Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 2402**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 30 and delete page  
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2017 Act are added to and  
4 made a part of ORS chapter 432.**

5 **“SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall establish a  
6 grant program for the purpose of allowing an individual who is  
7 homeless to obtain a certified copy of the individual’s record of live  
8 birth at a reduced rate or free of charge.**

9 **“(2) In administering the program, the authority:**

10 **“(a) Shall award grants to state, regional and local agencies and  
11 organizations listed in ORS 458.528 for the purpose specified in sub-  
12 section (1) of this section;**

13 **“(b) Shall develop criteria for receiving a grant under this section  
14 and processes for applying for a grant under this section;**

15 **“(c) May require recipients of a grant to report to the authority on  
16 the use of grant funds; and**

17 **“(d) Shall adopt by rule a definition for the term ‘individual who is  
18 homeless’ that gives the term the same meaning as provided in 42  
19 U.S.C. 11302 for the terms ‘homeless,’ ‘homeless individual’ and  
20 ‘homeless person.’**

21 **“SECTION 3. (1) There is established in the State Treasury, sepa-**

1 **rate and distinct from the General Fund, the Birth Certificates for**  
2 **Homeless Persons Fund. Interest earned by the Birth Certificates for**  
3 **Homeless Persons Fund shall be credited to the fund. All moneys in**  
4 **the Birth Certificates for Homeless Persons Fund are continuously**  
5 **appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority for purposes of section**  
6 **2 of this 2017 Act.**

7 **“(2) The Birth Certificates for Homeless Persons Fund shall consist**  
8 **of all moneys credited to the fund, including moneys appropriated or**  
9 **transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly.**

10 **“SECTION 4.** ORS 432.435 is amended to read:

11 **“432.435. (1) Except as provided in ORS 432.445 and subsection (2) of this**  
12 **section, [and subject to the review of the Oregon Department of Administrative**  
13 **Services,] the Oregon Health Authority shall establish [all] fees for **the** ser-**  
14 **vices provided under this chapter. [The fees and charges established under**  
15 **this section shall be authorized by the Legislative Assembly for the authority’s**  
16 **budget, as the budget may be modified by the Emergency Board.]**

17 **“(2) The State Registrar of the Center for Health Statistics shall search**  
18 **the system of vital statistics and issue certified copies or other documents,**  
19 **as appropriate, without charge if the search or issuance is:**

20 **“(a) Requested in connection with a pending application for benefits from**  
21 **the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, if proof of the application**  
22 **is first submitted; or**

23 **“(b) In response to an administrative error as determined by the state**  
24 **registrar.**

25 **“(3) Fees collected under this section [shall] **must** be deposited in the**  
26 **Oregon Health Authority Fund and are continuously appropriated to the**  
27 **Center for Health Statistics for the purpose of administering this chapter.**

28 **“SECTION 5. There is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority,**  
29 **for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the**  
30 **amount of \$50,000 for deposit into the Birth Certificates for Homeless**

1 **Persons Fund established in section 3 of this 2017 Act.**

2 **“SECTION 6. The Oregon Health Authority must begin issuing**  
3 **grants under section 2 of this 2017 Act on or before July 1, 2018.**

4 **“SECTION 7. This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the**  
5 **date on which the 2017 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative**  
6 **Assembly adjourns sine die.”**

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