## SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 141

By COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

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- "SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall issue grants to hospitals in this state for the purpose of establishing and maintaining, or contracting with a third party to provide, a process for providing caring contacts to patients who present in the emergency department with suicidal ideation or attempted suicide, as may be required under ORS 441.053 or by rules adopted by the authority under ORS 441.053.
- "(2) A hospital may use grant moneys received under this section for costs incurred on or after January 1, 2019, that are associated with establishing and maintaining, or contracting to provide, a process described in subsection 1 of this section.
- "(3) The authority may determine the amount of a grant issued to a hospital under this section.
- "(4) The authority may, by rule, establish procedures by which a hospital may apply for grants under this section.
- "SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall study the existing barriers within each community in this state that limit the availability of appropriate follow-up care for patients released or discharged from a hospital following treatment for a behavioral health crisis. The authority shall develop recommendations on how to reduce or remove the existing barriers and increase patient access to providers in a given community that may support the needs of the patient after being released or discharged from a hospital following treatment for a behavioral health crisis.
- "(2) The authority shall submit a report on the findings and recommendations described in subsection (1) of this section, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to health care, in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, no later than October 15, 2020.
- "SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$4,000,000 for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of section 1 of this 2019 Act.
  - "SECTION 4. Section 1 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on July 1, 2019.
  - "SECTION 5. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2019 Act are repealed on June 30, 2021.
- "SECTION 6. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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