

Requested by Representative SALINAS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4031**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “health;” delete the rest of the
2 line and delete lines 3 through 11.

3 In line 12, delete “813.200;”.

4 Delete lines 14 through 27.

5 Delete pages 2 through 105 and insert:

6 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall prepare an as-**
7 **essment that forecasts the supply of and demand for behavioral**
8 **health professionals in this state over the next 10 years. The assess-**
9 **ment must function as an evaluative and planning tool for the Legis-**
10 **lative Assembly with regard to behavioral health professionals.**

11 **“(2) The assessment must focus on compiling the existing work of**
12 **the authority with relevant previously conducted studies and relevant**
13 **local and national data in order to determine specifically how to de-**
14 **velop and improve the behavioral health workforce of this state. The**
15 **assessment must detail the behavioral health professionals who are**
16 **currently ready to enter the workforce and the need for behavioral**
17 **health professionals by specific types of services and professionals and**
18 **must forecast the need for behavioral health professionals in 10 years.**

19 **“(3) In addition to the requirements described in subsection (2) of**
20 **this section, the assessment must:**

21 **“(a) Specifically identify any current gaps in the behavioral health**

1 workforce and the ability of the workforce to meet the needs of this
2 state;

3 “(b) Determine the number and type of behavioral health profes-
4 sionals who are currently completing educational programs, obtaining
5 licensure or other authorization to practice and entering the
6 workforce, and determine the number of unlicensed behavioral health
7 professionals entering into the workforce or expanding their scopes
8 of practice;

9 “(c) Include results from consultation with the Department of Ed-
10 ucation, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission and relevant
11 health professional regulatory boards in this state to determine rele-
12 vant information for the assessment; and

13 “(d) Identify and evaluate any barriers to meeting the current goals
14 for the behavioral health workforce, and make recommendations that
15 clearly articulate strategies to remove or overcome barriers.

16 “(4) Health professional regulatory boards and state agencies that
17 regulate any behavioral health professionals, and public institutions
18 of higher education and technical schools that offer educational pro-
19 grams related to behavioral health, shall cooperate with the authority
20 as requested by the authority for purposes of the assessment described
21 in this section.

22 “(5) Not later than November 1, 2020, the authority shall submit the
23 assessment described in this section, and any recommendations for
24 legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly re-
25 lated to behavioral health.

26 “SECTION 2. This 2020 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
27 date on which the 2020 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative
28 Assembly adjourns sine die.”

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