

Requested by Representative KENY-GUYER

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4002**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 29 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Portland State University Homelessness Re-**
3 **search and Action Collaborative, housed within the Toulan School of**
4 **Urban Studies and Planning, shall conduct a study on the costs and**
5 **benefits and policy choices of providing long-term rental assistance to**
6 **Oregonians who are experiencing severe rent burden or homelessness**
7 **or are at risk of homelessness.**

8 **“(2) The study must include:**

9 **“(a) Exploration of various administrative and policy design choices**
10 **and program models related to long-term rental assistance.**

11 **“(b) Estimates of costs of providing long-term rental assistance**
12 **across different geographic regions and serving different populations,**
13 **including households with:**

14 **“(A) Children five years of age or younger;**

15 **“(B) Children at least six years of age and not older than 17 years**
16 **of age;**

17 **“(C) Unaccompanied homeless youths, as defined in ORS 343.035;**

18 **“(D) Wards who have aged out of permanent foster care, shelter**
19 **care or substitute care, as those terms are defined in ORS 419A.004;**

20 **“(E) Individuals who have been victims of domestic violence, as**
21 **defined in ORS 135.230, 181A.355 or 411.117, or who are at risk of do-**

1 **mestic violence;**

2 **“(F) Individuals who are at least 58 years of age;**

3 **“(G) Persons with disabilities;**

4 **“(H) Persons of color;**

5 **“(I) Veterans;**

6 **“(J) Incomes below 30 percent of area median income, as defined in**
7 **ORS 458.610; or**

8 **“(K) Incomes between 30 percent and 50 percent of area median in-**
9 **come, as defined in ORS 458.610.**

10 **“(c) A review of best practices, including those used in local, state**
11 **and federal long-term rental assistance programs and other program**
12 **models.**

13 **“(d) A literature review of existing research regarding the outcomes**
14 **of rental assistance on populations experiencing severe rent burden,**
15 **including educational and health benefits.**

16 **“(3) The study must consider:**

17 **“(a) Administrative program design and delivery to end users, in-**
18 **cluding various design and delivery models and rent payment stan-**
19 **dards and caps;**

20 **“(b) The need for nonrental assistance funds, including for moving**
21 **costs, security deposits, back utility bills and other costs; and**

22 **“(c) Long-term rental assistance programs administered by other**
23 **states.**

24 **“(4) In conducting the study, the collaborative must consult with**
25 **organizations that support tenants accessing long-term rental assist-**
26 **ance and with urban and rural local housing authorities, as defined in**
27 **ORS 456.375.**

28 **“(5) The study must consider disparate impacts on communities of**
29 **color, immigrant and refugee communities and persons identifying as**
30 **lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and other minority gender**

1 identities and sexual orientations.

2 “(6) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are
3 directed to assist the collaborative in conducting the study, and to the
4 extent permitted by laws related to confidentiality, to furnish infor-
5 mation and advice necessary for the collaborative to complete its
6 study.

7 “(7) No later than December 1, 2020, the collaborative shall provide
8 a report on the findings of the study to an appropriate interim com-
9 mittee of the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided under ORS
10 192.245.

11 “SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
12 ation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
13 Commission for distribution to Portland State University, for the
14 biennium ending June 30, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount
15 of \$250,000, to conduct the study required under section 1 of this 2020
16 Act.”.

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