

Requested by Representative SOLLMAN

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2591**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the semicolon delete the rest
2 of the line and insert “creating new provisions; amending section 5, chapter
3 601, Oregon Laws 2019; and declaring an emergency.”.

4 Delete lines 4 through 31 and delete page 2 and insert:

5 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

6 **“(a) ‘School-based health center’ has the meaning given that term**
7 **in ORS 413.225.**

8 **“(b) ‘School nurse model’ means a model for providing school-based**
9 **health services that is in accord with guidance from the division of the**
10 **Oregon Health Authority that addresses adolescent health.**

11 **“(2) The authority, in consultation with the Department of Educa-**
12 **tion, shall select 10 school districts or education service districts to**
13 **receive planning grants for district planning and technical assistance.**
14 **Each district receiving a grant, beginning on or after October 1, 2021,**
15 **and concluding before October 1, 2023, shall:**

16 **“(a) Evaluate the need for school-based health services in their re-**
17 **spective communities; and**

18 **“(b) Develop a school-based health services plan that addresses the**
19 **need identified in paragraph (a) of this subsection.**

20 **“(3) The authority shall contract with a nonprofit organization with**
21 **experience in facilitating school health planning initiatives and sup-**

1 **porting school-based health centers to facilitate and oversee the plan-**
2 **ning process and to provide technical assistance to grantees to reduce**
3 **costs and ensure better coordination and continuity statewide.**

4 **“(4) Each grantee shall solicit community participation in the**
5 **planning process, including the participation of the local public health**
6 **authority, any federally qualified health centers located in the district,**
7 **a regional health equity coalition, if any, serving the district and every**
8 **coordinated care organization with members residing in the district.**

9 **“(5) At the conclusion of the two-year planning process each**
10 **grantee shall receive funding to operate a school-based health center**
11 **or school nurse model in each respective grantee school district or**
12 **education service district.**

13 **“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, ‘mobile school-linked**
14 **health center’ means a mobile medical van that:**

15 **“(a) Provides primary care services to children on or near school**
16 **grounds by licensed or certified health care providers; and**

17 **“(b) Is sponsored by a school district or an educational service dis-**
18 **trict.**

19 **“(2) The Oregon Health Authority may award up to three grants to**
20 **school districts or educational service districts for planning and tech-**
21 **anical assistance to implement a mobile school-linked health center.**

22 **“(3) A mobile school-linked health center operated using grants**
23 **provided under this section shall comply with the billing, electronic**
24 **medical records and data reporting requirements established for**
25 **grantees under section 1 (5), chapter 601, Oregon Laws 2019, but is not**
26 **subject to the school-based certification requirements or funding for-**
27 **mulas established for school-based health centers under ORS 413.225.**

28 **“SECTION 3. (1) As used in this section:**

29 **“(a) ‘Distant site’ means the site where a physician licensed under**
30 **ORS chapter 677, or other licensed health care practitioner, who pro-**

1 **vides health care services through telehealth is located at the time the**
2 **physician or licensed health care practitioner provides the health care**
3 **service through telehealth.**

4 **“(b) ‘Originating site’ means the site where the patient is located**
5 **at the time the patient receives health care services provided through**
6 **telehealth.**

7 **“(c) ‘School-based health center’ has the meaning given that term**
8 **in ORS 413.225.**

9 **“(d) ‘School nurse’ means:**

10 **“(A) A school nurse as defined in ORS 342.455; or**

11 **“(B) A registered nurse who is an employee or contractor of a**
12 **school district and who practices nursing in a school setting.**

13 **“(e) ‘Telehealth’ means the use of electronic and telecommuni-**
14 **cation technologies to deliver health care services to a patient.**

15 **“(2)(a) The Oregon Health Authority shall award grants to three**
16 **school-based health centers to operate pilot projects to expand student**
17 **access to mental and physical health care services and to improve the**
18 **health and education outcomes of students through the use of tele-**
19 **health.**

20 **“(b) To be eligible for a grant under this subsection, a school-based**
21 **health center shall enter into a pilot project agreement with a school**
22 **district. The pilot project agreement must provide that:**

23 **“(A) The school-based health center is the distant site that provides**
24 **telehealth in conjunction with a school nurse located at the originat-**
25 **ing site; and**

26 **“(B) The school-based health center will allocate to the school dis-**
27 **trict a portion of funds received under this subsection to increase**
28 **school nurse capacity and assist in offsetting costs incurred by the**
29 **school district as a result of the school district’s participation in the**
30 **pilot project.**

1 **“(c) Funds described in this subsection may be used to:**
2 **“(A) Compensate the following individuals for services provided**
3 **pursuant to a pilot project:**
4 **“(i) A school nurse;**
5 **“(ii) A licensed health care practitioner located at a school-based**
6 **health center; and**
7 **“(iii) Administrative or technical staff at a school-based health**
8 **center;**
9 **“(B) Cover the costs of:**
10 **“(i) Technical equipment necessary to provide telehealth; and**
11 **“(ii) Technical assistance related to the use and function of equip-**
12 **ment necessary to provide telehealth; and**
13 **“(C) Cover other costs related to the pilot project’s provision of**
14 **telehealth.**
15 **“(3) The authority shall:**
16 **“(a) Assist school-based health centers and school districts that**
17 **enter into pilot project agreements in the efficient use of funds dis-**
18 **tributed under subsection (2) of this section.**
19 **“(b) Coordinate with a statewide nonprofit organization that has**
20 **experience in supporting school-based health centers and school nurses**
21 **to carry out this section.**
22 **“(4) A school-based health center that operates a pilot project shall**
23 **report, on an interval determined by the authority, to the authority**
24 **on the progress of the pilot project in a manner that allows the au-**
25 **thority to determine the effectiveness of the pilot project.**
26 **“(5) The authority shall establish a process to evaluate at least the**
27 **following information regarding a pilot project established under this**
28 **section:**
29 **“(a) Billing practices and reimbursements;**
30 **“(b) Access to health care services;**

1 “(c) Impact on student absence from schools; and

2 “(d) Workflow practices.

3 “(6) Not later than December 31, 2025, the authority shall submit a
4 report, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to an interim commit-
5 tee of the Legislative Assembly related to health care, on the effec-
6 tiveness and success of pilot projects established under this section.
7 The authority may include in the report submitted under this sub-
8 section recommendations for legislation.

9 “SECTION 4. Section 5, chapter 601, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to
10 read:

11 “**Sec. 5.** Section 1, [*of this 2019 Act*] **chapter 601, Oregon Laws 2019**, is
12 repealed on January 2, [2026] **2028**.

13 “SECTION 5. **There is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority,**
14 **for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the**
15 **amount of \$2,555,000 to be used as follows:**

16 “(1) \$995,000 for grants to school districts or education service dis-
17 tricts for technical assistance under section 1 of this 2021 Act.

18 “(2) \$285,000 for grants to school districts and education service
19 districts under section 2 of this 2021 Act.

20 “(3) \$975,000 for grants to school-based health centers under section
21 **3 of this 2021 Act.**

22 “(4) \$300,000 for the costs of the authority in carrying out sections
23 **1 to 3 of this 2021 Act.**

24 “SECTION 6. (1) **Sections 1 and 2 of this 2021 Act are repealed on**
25 **January 2, 2028.**

26 “(2) **Section 3 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2026.**

27 “SECTION 7. (1) **Sections 1 and 3 of this 2021 Act become operative**
28 **on October 1, 2021.**

29 “(2) **The Oregon Health Authority may take any action before the**
30 **operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is neces-**

1 sary to enable the authority to exercise, on and after the operative
2 date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, func-
3 tions and powers conferred on the authority by sections 1 and 3 of this
4 2021 Act.

5 **“SECTION 8. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate**
6 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**
7 **declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021.”.**

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