

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5024 Oregon Health Authority

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Lieber

HB 5024 is the budget bill for the Oregon Health Authority. The Human Services Subcommittee recommends a budget of \$29.8 billion, which includes \$3.6 billion General Fund and supports 4,658 positions.

The budget maintains benefits for Oregon Health Plan enrollees and funds annual health care inflation at 3.4%. To support OHA's goal of eliminating health inequities over the next 10 years, the budget supports new equity staff, grants to regional partners, and a managed care entity for tribal members. It also makes the following investments to build behavioral health system capacity:

- \$130 million for increasing residential facility and other types of community bed space
- \$31 million for opening two units at the Oregon State Hospital Junction City campus
- \$121 million for the certified community behavioral health clinic model
- \$21.5 million for services that address the state's growing "aid and assist" caseload
- \$302 million for treatment and recovery services established under Ballot Measure 110

Two special purpose appropriations to the Emergency Board also support behavioral health system alignment and Oregon State Hospital staffing levels. To improve the state's ability to deal with emerging public health challenges and address health inequities, the budget includes \$45 million for OHA's public health modernization strategy. The Subcommittee also adopted budget notes providing instructions to the agency for behavioral health investments and requiring a report on the next round of coordinated care organization contracts.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends HB 5024 be amended by the -1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.