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To: Human Services Subcommittee

From: Tom MacDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: February 21, 2022

Subject: HB 4045 – Relating to public health approaches to community violence prevention
Work Session Recommendations

HB 4045 appropriates \$5 million General Fund for the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to support community violence prevention and intervention initiatives. The General Fund is appropriated as follows:

- \$1 million to OHA for grants to hospitals and community-based organizations to develop hospital-based violence intervention programs in communities of need other than in Multnomah County.
- \$2.5 million to DAS for community violence prevention and intervention measures that address intermediate risk factors and support protective factors to decrease social pressure to engage in community violence.
- \$1.5 million to DAS to increase the capacity of the Healing Hurt Program to reduce community violence.

The measure also requires OHA to approve at least one national training and certification program for violence prevention professionals and establish a process to approve community-based training programs. OHA is required to seek federal approval to provide Medicaid coverage for community violence prevention services and establish an advisory committee to support the implementation of this requirement.

In addition to the \$5 million appropriation for grants, the measure is expected to increase costs in OHA for grant management, the new national training certificate program, supporting the technical advisory group, and developing a federal reimbursement methodology. If the measure is approved, two positions will be included in the omnibus budget bill to support this work.

The measure previously had hearings in the House Health Care Committee on 2/7/22 and 2/14/22 and was reported out with a do pass recommendation.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 4045 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____