

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 4098

Relating to behavioral health

To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier:	Representative Sanchez

HB 4098 creates a new fund and board to direct Oregon’s share of settlement revenue from a class action lawsuit with several opioid distributors.

The measure establishes the Opioid Settlement Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Board within the Oregon Health Authority to determine allocations of settlement revenue for statewide and regional programs that support opioid use disorder and other behavioral health issues. The allocations made by the board must be consistent with the settlement agreements. A portion of the fund must support a system to collect and publish data about the efficacy and availability of treatment and recovery services in the state.

The measure also expands the number of agencies defined as a “participating state agency” that enters into agreements to support the work of the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission. These agencies are required to support the commission on implementing its treatment and recovery plan for the state.

The estimated fiscal impact is \$625,733 Other Funds and five positions (1.76 FTE) in 2021-23 for OHA to support the new opioid settlement board and related work. The fiscal impact related to allocations from the settlement fund will be determined by the new board once it is formed.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 4098 be amended by the -A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.