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Measure: HB 4052 A

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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to provide grants to operate two culturally and linguistically specific mobile health units, as pilot program, to serve priority populations with histories of poor health or social outcomes.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office (OACO), Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

Oregon Health Authority

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund	\$746,609	\$464,163
Other Funds	1,636	419
Federal Funds	615,694	335,651
Total Funds	\$1,363,939	\$800,233
Positions	8	8
FTE	5.04	1.91

Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund	\$179,662	\$531,606
Total Funds	\$179,662	\$531,606
Positions	3	3
FTE	0.75	2.25

Analysis: The measure directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to administer a pilot program to provide grants to operate two culturally and linguistically specific mobile health units to serve priority populations, requires OHA to convene an advisory committee to provide guidance on establishing, funding, and operating the pilot program, and to study the feasibility of expanding mobile health units throughout the state. OHA must submit an interim report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2025 and a final report no later June 30, 2026 on the implementation of the pilot program, the findings of the study, and recommendations for implementing a statewide mobile health unit pilot program.

The measure also directs the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office (OACO) to convene affinity group task forces to develop recommendations for specific allocation of resources to address needs of the priority populations. Based on the research and recommendations of the affinity group task forces, OHA is required to develop

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recommendations on how to fund robust culturally and linguistically specific intervention programs, across all relevant state agencies, designed to prevent or intervene in the health conditions that result in inequitable and negative outcomes for individuals who are Black or indigenous, people of color and members of tribes. OACO must report these recommendations to the Legislative Assembly by November 1, 2023.

The measure, with the -1 amendment, does not include an appropriation to fund the grants for mobile health units or intervention programs discussed above. The fiscal impact of these services is currently indeterminate. Additionally, a fiscal impact is expected related to OHA's and OACO's operational costs.

OHA anticipates needing a total of eight positions (5.04 FTE), which include two limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3 positions (1.25 FTE) and one limited duration Office Specialist 2 position (0.63 FTE) to work directly with the advisory committee; two limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3 positions (1.25 FTE) and one limited duration Office Specialist 2 position (0.63 FTE) to manage the grant process and operational and policy needs; one limited durations Fiscal Analyst 3 position (0.63 FTE) to prepare and present financial analysis and track payments; and one permanent Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position (0.63 FTE) to conduct an evaluation of the study and assist with the report back to the Legislature. The Legislative Fiscal Office notes the number of positions needed by OHA could potentially be scaled upon further consideration of how the measure aligns with the agency's existing programs and operations, as well as further analysis of the volume of work required by the measure.

OACO anticipates needing two limited duration, full-time Public Affairs Specialist 1 (PAS 1) positions (0.50 FTE) to manage, schedule, coordinate, and convene two affinity groups each; and one Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position (0.25 FTE) to conduct research and supervise the PAS 1 staff. Each PAS 1 will be responsible for two affinity groups meeting bi-monthly. The affinity group task forces are to make recommendations on whether their work should continue beyond June 30, 2023. If recommended, the task forces would continue up until this portion of the measure is repealed, on January 2, 2025, and the three OACO positions are assumed to continue to that time.

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