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To: General Government Subcommittee

From: Michael Graham, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: June 1, 2023

Subject: HB 2925 – Relating to health equity
Work Session Recommendations

HB 2925 extends the deadlines for affinity group task forces to complete their work and report their recommendations relating to the allocation of resources to address community needs and health inequities. The measure directs the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office (OACO) to report to the Legislative Assembly by November 1, 2023, on the development of the recommendations by the affinity group task forces for specific allocations of resources. OACO is to report the affinity group task forces' final recommendations by June 30, 2026.

The measure also extends the deadlines for the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to develop and report its recommendations for culturally and linguistically specific intervention programs. OHA must report to the Legislative Assembly by June 30, 2024, on the development of the recommendations on funding culturally and linguistically specific intervention programs. OHA is to report its final recommendations by September 15, 2026. The measure takes effect on passage.

The measure is anticipated to have a fiscal impact on OACO and no fiscal impact on OHA.

Recommended Changes

The –A3 amendment appropriates \$690,290 General Fund to OACO in the 2023-25 biennium, which OACO will use to retain three limited duration positions (3.00 FTE) to continue the work related to convening of the affinity group task forces under HB 4052 (2022).

LFO recommends adoption of the –A3 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A3 amendment to HB 2925. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 2925, as amended by the –A3 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 2925, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____