House Bill 2454

Sponsored by Representative REYNOLDS (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Housing and Community Services Department to provide services and assistance to school-aged children experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Human Services for certain grant programs for programs providing services to youth experiencing homelessness.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to appropriations for programs for youth experiencing homelessness; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Housing and Community Services Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$____ for deposit in the Emergency Housing Account established under ORS 458.620, for the purpose of providing services and assistance to school-aged children enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12, or their families, who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

SECTION 2. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$12,500,000, for the purpose of awarding grants to increase access by youth experiencing homelessness to shelter facilities, outreach, culturally specific services and mental health or substance abuse services, and to strengthen partnerships with host home programs and other transitional housing options.

(2) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$12,500,000, for the purpose of providing two-year grants to organizations operating host home projects to establish, continue or expand operation of host home projects for youth experiencing homelessness.

SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on July 1, 2023.

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