Enrolled House Bill 2925

Sponsored by Representative NELSON; Representatives BYNUM, CHAICHI, GRAYBER, HOLVEY, PHAM H, RUIZ, WALTERS, Senators CAMPOS, FREDERICK, GELSER BLOUIN, JAMA, MANNING JR, PATTERSON, WOODS (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to health equity; creating new provisions; amending sections 2 and 6, chapter 48, Oregon Laws 2022; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 48, Oregon Laws 2022, is amended to read:

Sec. 2. (1)(a) The Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office, in collaboration with culturally specific community-based organizations, shall convene affinity group task forces consisting of leaders of Black and indigenous communities[,] and people of color [and members of the nine federally recognized tribes in Oregon]. The task forces shall discuss and research the specific needs of the communities they represent and develop recommendations for specific allocations of resources to address the communities' needs and health inequities faced by the communities. [The task forces shall also make recommendations on whether their work should continue beyond June 30, 2023.]

(b) No later than November 1, 2023, the office shall report to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, on the development of the recommendations by the affinity group task forces, under paragraph (a) of this subsection, for specific allocations of resources to address community needs and health inequities faced by the communities.

(c) No later than June 30, 2026, the office shall report to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, the affinity group task forces' final recommendations under paragraph (a) of this subsection, which may include recommendations for legislation.

(2)(a) Based on the research and recommendations of the affinity group task forces and in consultation with the nine federally recognized tribes in Oregon, the Oregon Health Authority shall develop 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 in Oregon. The interventions must focus on aspects of the social determinants of health including housing, access to food, neighborhood safety, education, transportation and involvement with the criminal justice system.

[(3) The office shall report the recommendations of the task forces to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, no later than November 1, 2023.]

[(4)] (b) No later than [November 30, 2023] June 30, 2024, the authority shall report to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, on the development of the recommendations on how to fund robust culturally and linguistically specific intervention programs, as required by [subsection (2) of this section] paragraph (a) of this subsection.

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[(5)] (c) No later than [November 1, 2024] September 15, 2026, the authority shall report to the Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, the authority's final recommendations under [subsection (2) of this section] paragraph (a) of this subsection, including recommendations for legislation.

SECTION 2. Section 6, chapter 48, Oregon Laws 2022, is amended to read:

Sec. 6. (1) Section 1, chapter 48, Oregon Laws 2022, [of this 2022 Act] is repealed on January 2, 2027.

(2) Section 2, chapter 48, Oregon Laws 2022, as amended by section 1 of this 2023 Act, [of this 2022 Act] is repealed on January 2, [2025] 2027.

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation made to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office by section 1, chapter 59, Oregon Laws 2023, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, is increased by \$690,290 for carrying out the amendments to sections 2 and 6, chapter 48, Oregon Laws 2022, by sections 1 and 2 of this 2023 Act.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> 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 its passage.

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