

Requested by Representative WALLAN

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4003**

1 Delete lines 4 through 8 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of State Police shall study the**
3 **causes of and ways to address the shortage of medical examiners**
4 **within this state. The results of the study must include:**

5 **“(a) A plan to strengthen, supplement and make operational the**
6 **recommendations from the Medical Examiner Improvement in Oregon**
7 **work group;**

8 **“(b) A determination of how to ensure that counties are provided**
9 **with stabilized and sustainable funding for medical examiner services**
10 **that the state requires counties to provide;**

11 **“(c) An analysis of the development of new forensic pathology slots**
12 **through the Oregon Health and Science University;**

13 **“(d) A determination of how to ensure that Oregon is following best**
14 **national and regional practices in a timely manner, including an**
15 **analysis of laws and legislation from other states;**

16 **“(e) An analysis of the potential utilization of the Conrad 30 waiver**
17 **program for J-1 foreign medical graduates; and**

18 **“(f) A determination of how to best meet regional medical examiner**
19 **needs across this state.**

20 **“(2) In conducting the study described in subsection (1) of this sec-**
21 **tion, the department:**

1 “(a) Shall consult with counties, district attorneys, public health
2 providers, medical-legal death investigators, national medical exam-
3 iner accrediting organizations and federally recognized tribal govern-
4 ments within this state and at least one member of the public who has
5 been affected by the medical examiner shortage;

6 “(b) Shall consult with the Oregon Health Authority concerning the
7 potential utilization of the Conrad 30 waiver program and any other
8 part of the study the department determines to be appropriate; and

9 “(c) Shall consult with members of the Legislative Assembly serving
10 on the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the
11 judiciary and health care and serving on the interim subcommittee of
12 the Joint Committee on Ways and Means related to public safety.

13 “(3) No later than September 1, 2025, the department shall provide
14 the results of the study, including any recommended legislative
15 changes, in a report to the appropriate interim committees of the
16 Legislative Assembly, in the manner provided under ORS 192.245.”.

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