

Requested by Representative SOSA

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4041**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 9 through 24 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 2.** ORS 285B.760 is amended to read:

3 “285B.760. As used in ORS 285B.760 to 285B.763:

4 “(1) ‘Culturally responsive services’ means services provided by an or-
5 ganization:

6 “(a) Whose founding mission and goals are aligned with the culture of the
7 individuals, families, businesses and communities receiving the services; and

8 “(b) That demonstrates intimate knowledge of the lived experience of the
9 individuals, families, businesses and communities receiving the services.

10 “(2) ‘Economic equity risk factor’ means:

11 “[*(a) Experience of discrimination because of race or ethnicity;*]

12 **“(a) Enrollment as a member of a state or federally recognized In-
13 dian tribe;**

14 “(b) English language proficiency;

15 “(c) [*Citizenship status*] **Employment as a farmworker;**

16 “(d) Socioeconomic status; or

17 “(e) Residence or operation in a rural location.”.

18 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 28 and insert:

19 **“SECTION 4.** ORS 285B.761 is amended to read:

20 “285B.761. (1) The Oregon Business Development Department shall de-
21 velop and implement an Economic Equity Investment Program under which

1 the department shall award grants to organizations that provide culturally
2 responsive services to support economic stability, self-sufficiency, wealth
3 building and economic equity among disadvantaged individuals, families,
4 businesses and communities in this state.

5 “(2)(a) The department shall prescribe the form and manner in which an
6 organization may apply for a grant under the program.

7 “(b) An organization’s application must demonstrate a proven ability to
8 provide services as described in subsection (3) of this section.

9 “(3) Grant moneys shall be awarded to organizations only for proposals
10 to provide outreach, support and resources to individuals, families, busi-
11 nesses or communities whose future is at risk because of [*any combination*
12 *of two*] **one** or more economic equity risk factors in order to improve eco-
13 nomic equity as measured by:

14 “(a) Ownership of land, principal residences and other real property;

15 “(b) Entrepreneurship;

16 “(c) Business development;

17 “(d) Workforce development; and

18 “(e) Intergenerational wealth building, such as savings, investments and
19 real property equity.

20 “(4) **Organizations awarded grant moneys under this section may**
21 **allocate the moneys to any entity that is lawfully organized and oper-**
22 **ating under state law.**

23 “[~~(4)~~] (5) Upon request, the department shall provide technical assistance
24 to organizations that receive grant moneys under the program and may
25 consult with an organization about the organization’s needs to maintain ca-
26 pacity to carry out the proposal for which the grant moneys were awarded.

27 “(6)(a) **The department may adopt rules for purposes of this section.**

28 “(b) **During any rulemaking process, the department shall consult**
29 **with persons and communities most likely to be affected by this sec-**
30 **tion.”.**

