Senate Bill 858

Sponsored by Senator MORRISETTE

SUMMARY

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Gives adult foster care providers right to collectively bargain with State of Oregon.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to adult foster care providers.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> Section 2 of this 2007 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 443.705 to 443.825.
 - <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) As used in this section, "adult foster care provider" means a person who is licensed to operate an adult foster care home under ORS 443.705 to 443.825.
 - (2) For purposes of collective bargaining under ORS 243.650 to 243.782, the State of Oregon is the public employer of adult foster care providers.
 - (3) Notwithstanding ORS 243.650 (19), adult foster care providers are considered to be public employees governed by ORS 243.650 to 243.782. Adult foster care providers have the right to form, join and participate in the activities of labor organizations of their own choosing for the purpose of representation and collective bargaining on matters concerning labor relations. These rights shall be exercised in accordance with the rights granted to public employees, with mediation and interest arbitration under ORS 243.742 as the method of concluding the collective bargaining process. Adult foster care providers may not strike.
 - (4) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, adult foster care providers are not for any other purpose employees of the State of Oregon or any other public body.
 - (5) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall represent the State of Oregon in collective bargaining negotiations with the certified or recognized exclusive representative of an appropriate bargaining unit of adult foster care providers. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services is authorized to agree to terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements on behalf of the Department of Human Services.
 - (6) Notwithstanding ORS 243.650 (1), the appropriate bargaining unit for adult foster care providers is a bargaining unit of all adult foster care providers in the state.
 - (7) This section does not modify any right of an adult receiving foster care to choose and terminate the services of an adult foster care provider.

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