75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Human Services & Rural Health Policy

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Kruse, Monnes Anderson, Telfer, Verger, Morrisette

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/6, 5/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Instructs Department of Education, Oregon Youth Authority, Department of Human Services and State Commission on Children and Families to take part in developing an integrated system of care to facilitate a planning process for youth at risk of developing emotional, behavioral or substance abuse related needs, utilizing their families and community and natural supports to provide a flexible group of services in a customized plan that reflects the youth and family's needs, values and preferences. Directs that plan goals and strategies be tied to observable or measurable indicators of success. Directs that agencies implement the wraparound initiative to the extent practical. Allows agencies to combine funding sources and seek federal approval or waiver. Establishes advisory committee to report progress to the Legislative Assembly. Defines in detail family, family run organization, identified population, partner agency, services and supports, system of care and wraparound as pertains to the goals of the measure. Establishes core values and principles of the wraparound initiative. Identifies implementation factors to be in place by 2015. Permits agencies to adopt rules in collaboration for implementation of wraparound services.

MEASURE:

CARRIER:

HB 2144 A

Sen. Morrisette

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Blending funding streams regulatory prohibitions
- Maximization of individual agency's resources, practices, strategies and expertise for optimal effectiveness
- Necessity of measure in order for agencies to work together to treat individuals
- Early intervention programs
- Accuracy of fiscal impact statement
- Ensuring measure does not create another level of bureaucracy
- Multi-phase implementation of wraparound initiative
- Wraparound process eliminates fragmented services for individuals and families in care

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 2144-A is a product of the Wraparound Initiative Steering Committee (WISC) vision for a statewide Wraparound Initiative and fulfills a steering committee recommendation for codification. WISC was charged with creating a plan to:

- Provide services and supports as early as possible so that children can be successful in their homes, schools and communities;
- Make services available based upon the specific needs of each child and family, rather on system requirements;
 and
- Maximize the resources available to serve children and families across systems, to most appropriately and effectively meet the physical and mental health needs of Oregon's children.

Proponents of the measure assert that it will result in the treatment of children, families and community resources as a whole and use blended funding sources to eliminate fragmented treatment that can occur when system clients encounter numerous levels of bureaucracy.