75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 3279 A
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Rep. Dembrow

**House Committee on Human Services** 

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 8 - 1 - 0

Yeas: Boone, Cowan, Dembrow, Huffman, Maurer, Olson, VanOrman, Tomei

Nays: Freeman

**Exc.:** 0

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Meeting Dates: 4/27

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Makes provider base rates and add-on payments mandatory in collective bargaining for adult foster care home providers.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

Provisions of the measure

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces original measure.

**BACKGROUND:** Adult foster care providers fall under the Public Employee Collective Bargaining Act (PECBA), which defines what issues may be the topic of bargaining. PECBA does not address how to bargain over a provider rate that is an all encompassing rate. Currently providers are paid a base rate for individual care. If a client needs significantly more care than the "typical" client, whether because of a need for a higher staffing ratio or specialized care, the client may be eligible for an add-on payment. HB 3279 provides that the collective bargaining process will determine the base rate and add on amount for each type of client. The Department of Human Services will determine on an individual basis if the client is eligible for an add-on amount.