## MEASURE NUMBER: SB 529

**STATUS:** A Engrossed

SUBJECT: Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a position to act as a liaison between the department and communities that may become sites of transitional housing facilities.
GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Department of Human Services, Psychiatric Security Review Board
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**EXPENDITURES:** See Analysis <u>2009-2011</u>

<u>2011-2013</u>

**POSITIONS / FTE:** See Analysis

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** On Passage

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is not anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE:** This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**ANALYSIS:** This bill directs the Department of Human Services (DHS) to establish a position, on or before January 1, 2010, to act as a liaison between the department and communities in which the department plans to establish housing for persons conditionally released by the Psychiatric Security Review Board or for persons with mental illness. The -1 Amendment does not change the original fiscal determination.

DHS reports that in its ongoing efforts to involve all stakeholders in the community placement segment of the state's mental health system, the Addictions and Mental Health Division (AMH) is conducting the liaison work required by this bill. The work has been carried out by various AMH program managers. Recently, to focus and streamline this ongoing effort, the Department appointed one staff member to be specifically responsible for this work full time. Passage of this measure therefore would codify current DHS practice. The cost of the position is estimated at \$187,834 General Fund (\$176,896 Personal Services and \$10,938 Services and Supplies) per biennium.

Note: This bill may require budgetary action to establish a position.