76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Health Care, Human Services & Rural Health Policy

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Adopt the A-Engrossed Measure

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bates, Kruse, Morse, Shields, Monnes Anderson

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/16

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Urges resumption of White House Conference on Children and Youth.

MEASURE: HJM 12 A

CARRIER: Sen. Morse

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Purpose of conference
- Prevalence of child abuse in Oregon
- Effects of placement in foster care

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The White House Conference on Children and Youth was first held in 1909 and convened every ten years until 1970. The conference focuses on improving outcomes for children by preventing and reducing child abuse and neglect; increasing permanency through family reunification, relative foster care and adoption; reducing the number of children in foster care; and decreasing the number of children aging out of foster care.