

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 3260**

Ordered by the House April 20  
Including House Amendments dated April 20

Sponsored by Representative BARKER; Representative BOONE (at the request of Oregon Alliance of Children's Programs)

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

*[Requires State Commission on Children and Families to contract with nonprofit entity to establish, coordinate and deliver support services for runaway and homeless youth and their families. Permits nonprofit entity to seek local, state or federal funding for provision of runaway and homeless youth support services.]*

**Transfers all duties, functions and powers of State Commission on Children and Families relating to coordination and delivery of services to runaway and homeless youth and their families to Department of Human Services.**

**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to support services for youth; creating new provisions; amending ORS 417.799 and 417.800;  
3 repealing ORS 417.801; and declaring an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1. ORS 417.801 is repealed.**

6 **SECTION 2. ORS 417.799 is amended to read:**

7 417.799. (1) The [*State Commission on Children and Families*] **Department of Human Services**  
8 is responsible for coordinating statewide planning for delivery of services to runaway and homeless  
9 youth and their families.

10 **(2) The department shall recommend policies that integrate a system of services and**  
11 **support for runaway and homeless youth into the state's continuum of care for children who**  
12 **are 0 through 21 years of age.**

13 [(2)] **(3)** The [*State Commission on Children and Families*] **department** shall lead a process that  
14 will allow the [*state commission*] **department**, the Juvenile Crime Prevention Advisory Committee,  
15 the Employment Department, [*the Department of Human Services,*] the Housing and Community Ser-  
16 vices Department, the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development, the Depart-  
17 ment of Education and the Oregon Youth Authority to develop a comprehensive and coordinated  
18 approach for services and support for runaway and homeless youth and their families. The approach  
19 shall include an assessment of service needs, the integration of existing services and the identifica-  
20 tion and tracking of a statewide high-level outcome related to runaway and homeless youth and  
21 their families.

22 [(3)] **(4)** Through the process **under subsection (3) of this section**, the agencies and other  
23 persons and entities involved in the process shall:

24 (a) Recommend funding mechanisms, financial resources and policy changes that will support a

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 continuum of services and that will ensure integration of services among state agencies that provide  
2 services to runaway and homeless youth and their families;

3 (b) Identify means of service delivery that are culturally competent, gender specific and evidence  
4 based and that reflect differences in approaches for urban and rural runaway and homeless youth  
5 and their families;

6 (c) Develop urban and rural demonstration sites to test effective service delivery models for the  
7 urban and rural populations;

8 (d) Recommend policies and services that specifically address the needs and responsibilities of  
9 parents of runaway and homeless youth; **and**

10 (e) Review existing state laws regarding parental accountability to determine recommended  
11 enforcement levels and examine new strategies to encourage parents to be accountable for positive  
12 development of their children.]; *and*]

13 *[(f) Recommend policies that integrate a system of services for runaway and homeless youth into  
14 the state's continuum of care for children who are 0 through 18 years of age.]*

15 [(4)] (5) In addition to the state agencies listed in subsection [(2)] (3) of this section, the [*state*  
16 *commission*] **department** shall include representatives of youth, nonprofit organizations and state-  
17 wide coalitions related to runaway and homeless youth services and supports in the joint process  
18 described in subsection [(2)] (3) of this section.

19 (6) **The department may enter into and renew contracts with providers for the provision  
20 of services to runaway and homeless youth and their families.**

21 **SECTION 3.** ORS 417.800 is amended to read:

22 417.800. The [*State Commission on Children and Families*] **Department of Human Services**  
23 shall coordinate the collection of data, provision of technical assistance to communities for assessing  
24 the needs of runaway and homeless youth, and identification and promotion of the best practices for  
25 service delivery, and shall recommend long term goals to identify and address the underlying causes  
26 of homelessness of youth.

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28 **TRANSFER**

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30 **SECTION 4. All the duties, functions and powers of the State Commission on Children  
31 and Families relating to the coordination and delivery of services to runaway and homeless  
32 youth and their families are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Department of  
33 Human Services.**

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35 **RECORDS AND PROPERTY**

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37 **SECTION 5. The staff director of the State Commission on Children and Families shall  
38 deliver to the Department of Human Services all records and property within the jurisdiction  
39 of the staff director that relate to the duties, functions and powers of the State Commission  
40 on Children and Families with respect to the coordination and delivery of services to runa-  
41 way and homeless youth and their families, and the Department of Human Services shall  
42 take possession of the records and property delivered under this section.**

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44 **UNEXPENDED REVENUES**



1 or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly per-  
2 taining to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 4 of this 2011 Act, refer-  
3 ence is made to the State Commission on Children and Families, or to an officer or employee  
4 of the State Commission on Children and Families, the reference is considered to be a ref-  
5 erence to the Department of Human Services or to an officer or employee of the department.  
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7 **UNIT CAPTIONS**

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9 **SECTION 11.** The unit captions used in this 2011 Act are provided only for the conven-  
10 ience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any  
11 legislative intent in the enactment of this 2011 Act.  
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13 **EMERGENCY CLAUSE**

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15 **SECTION 12.** This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
16 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect  
17 on its passage.  
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