



STATE OF OREGON  
Legislative Counsel Committee

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To: Tyler Larson, Committee Administrator  
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Subject: HB 2134-1 Amendments

In requesting the -1 amendments, you asked that the reference to medical assistance programs be changed to reference "all OHA and DHS programs." I accomplished this by substituting "public" for "medical." "Public assistance" is defined to include all medical assistance programs as well as all other programs administered by the Department of Human Services. The definition applies to any statutes "providing for assistance and services to needy persons." See ORS 411.010.

You also requested to add "an explicit requirement for stakeholder and community engagement in the rules-making process." The Administrative Procedures Act already requires an agency to propose a rule and solicit public comment before it is finalized. However, ORS 183.333 gives an agency discretion as to whether to appoint an advisory committee to participate in the development of the rules. Therefore, I added a requirement that the authority appoint an advisory committee composed of persons likely to be affected by the standards and advocates of such persons.

Encl.