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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Describes rights of persons with developmental disabilities who are receiving services from Department of Human Services (DHS). Removes references to Eastern Oregon Training Center and operation of state training center by DHS. Requires DHS to promote dispute resolution for individuals receiving developmental disability services.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Closure of state institutions
- Clean-up bill removing outdated statutory references
- Fairview training center

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Eliminates reference to Oregon training center. Adds language regarding self-determination and inclusion for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families in the planning, design of, funding, operation and monitoring of community services received. Removes annual progress assessment requirement.

BACKGROUND: The Developmental Disabilities (DD) Act, last authorized in 2000, recognizes the competencies, capabilities and personal goals of individuals with developmental disabilities. The DD Act further acknowledges that individuals with developmental disabilities possess the ability to integrate and contribute to community systems with independence and choice. Community inclusion encompasses political, social, cultural and educational aspects of the environmental mainstream. Individuals with disabilities and their families have inalienable rights to participate in the design of and have access to needed community services, individualized supports and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence productivity, and integration and inclusion “in every facet of community life.” Based on a report containing joint statements from the National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD), Disability Rights Network (DRN) and the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD), a number of different approaches are being utilized to support individuals with developmental disabilities at all levels of need to live independently in the community. According to information provided by the Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities, Oregon closed its last state institution in 2010 in an effort to promote community integration.

Senate Bill 22 B updates statutory language to eliminate references to institutional and training center services and updates the court commitment process to reflect current practice since the closure of institutions for people with developmental disabilities.

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