



Legislative Testimony

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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The Honorable Floyd Prozanski, Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee

RE: House Bill 4037

Chair Prozanski and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, I am Marie Garcia, Legislative and Government Relations Manager for the Oregon Department of Corrections. On behalf of the department, I am here to testify in support of House Bill 4037. We feel that the bill is for the greater good of the juvenile offenders.

What this Bill Does

As stated in the bill summary, House Bill 4037 amends existing statutes to authorize county sheriffs to designate county juvenile departments or Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) to provide direct transfer of certain juvenile offenders to youth correctional facilities as part of an agreement with the Department of Corrections or the supervisory authority of the county.

The bill expands on previous statutory amendments by allowing sheriffs to designate county juvenile departments, the OYA, or both, through agreement with the department or supervisory authority, to directly transport eligible youth to OYA.

Issue Addressed by this Bill

The purpose of this bill is to facilitate sound correctional practices by allowing direct transport of juvenile offenders to OYA.

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