

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 03/20/15

**Action:** Without Recommendation As To Passage, Be Referred To Judiciary, And Then To Ways And Means By Prior Reference.

**Meeting Dates:** 03/20

**Vote:**  
Yeas: 8 - Buehler, Evans, Gallegos, Hayden, Keny-Guyer, Parrish, Stark, Taylor  
Exc: 1 - Piluso

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Department of Human Services (DHS) establish licensing for residential stabilization and crisis training units for persons with developmental disabilities, as specified. Creates Office of Investigations within Oregon Department of Justice (DOJ) and transfers responsibility for abuse investigations from DHS to DOJ. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Referral to more appropriate committee

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU) operates under the DHS, Office of Developmental Disabilities. The program provides 24-hour residential care and supervision to high-risk adults and children with intellectual/developmental disabilities who represent the most risk to the public at large, their peers, or themselves. SACU provides a range of integrated residential care, including medical, behavioral, personal, educational, and recreational. There are currently 23 residential group homes along the I-5 corridor from Portland to Eugene.

House Bill 2224 requires DHS to establish licensing as specified, for residential training homes and facilities for intellectually/developmentally disabled persons. The measure also transfers DHS's authority to investigate allegations of abuse to the DOJ.