

Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
Senate Committee On Judiciary

MEASURE: HB 2314 A
CARRIER: Sen. Burdick

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact
Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 05/05/15

Action: Do Pass The A-Eng Bill.

Meeting Dates: 05/05

Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Burdick, Gelser, Kruse, Prozanski, Thatcher

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows youth offender foster homes to be maintained by persons related to youth offender by blood or marriage under circumstances set forth in rule by Oregon Youth Authority.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Oregon Youth Authority
- Provisions of measure
- Instances when family foster homes are best
- Number of youth offenders in youth offender foster homes

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Under current statute, the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) is prohibited from placing youth offenders in foster homes maintained by a person related to the youth offender by blood or marriage. OYA, however, has identified certain, rare cases where the best placement for a youth offender is in a foster home maintained by a blood or marriage relative.

House Bill 2314-A permits a youth offender foster home to be maintained by a person related to the youth offender by blood or marriage only under circumstances set forth by OYA in rule.