

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2031**

Ordered by the House March 20  
Including House Amendments dated March 20

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**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs Oregon Youth Authority to establish pilot project to implement intensive in-home services model that includes availability of residential treatment services for youth in juvenile justice system. Authorizes authority to contract with nonprofit entities to establish model and provide services.

Requires authority to evaluate pilot project and report to Legislative Assembly on or before date of convening of 2017 regular session.

Appropriates moneys to authority to establish pilot project.

Sunset June 30, 2017.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to services for youth in criminal justice system; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly finds that:**

5 **(1) The intensive in-home services model is a viable and compelling placement option for**  
6 **youth referred to county juvenile departments, with the purpose of strengthening and re-**  
7 **storing families, preventing youth in the juvenile justice system from entering state custody,**  
8 **providing culturally appropriate services to youth that are overrepresented in the juvenile**  
9 **justice system and helping youth already in out-of-home placements return home to a family**  
10 **member or unit as soon as possible.**

11 **(2) A pilot project in Marion and Multnomah Counties will establish the intensive in-home**  
12 **services model that includes the availability of residential treatment services in one region**  
13 **of the state and will provide the Legislative Assembly with the opportunity to evaluate the**  
14 **success and effectiveness of the model as a placement option for youth in the juvenile justice**  
15 **system.**

16 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section and section 1 of this 2015 Act:**

17 **(a) "Intensive in-home services" means treatment and reunification services that are**  
18 **provided to youth in the juvenile justice system and their families, in the homes of the youth**  
19 **and their families, and that include but are not limited to:**

20 **(A) A comprehensive treatment approach that includes family treatment, parenting skills**  
21 **education, educational interventions, development of positive peer groups, access to com-**  
22 **munity resources and long-term, ongoing support;**

23 **(B) Meeting with families and youth at least three times each week;**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (C) Unlimited time availability of staff to assist with emergency situations;

2 (D) Targeting specific interventions for individual youth and their families to achieve  
3 identified goals and measurable tasks;

4 (E) Implementing strategies to address aggression, problem behaviors and specialized is-  
5 sues;

6 (F) Collaboration with providers, juvenile justice staff and courts;

7 (G) Crisis prevention and intervention; and

8 (H) Psychotherapeutic and alcohol and drug intervention treatment.

9 (b) "Residential treatment" means clinically proven and individualized treatment ap-  
10 proaches in out-of-home residential settings with specialty treatment programs for hard-to-  
11 place youth.

12 (c) "Youth" means a person at least 10 years of age who is alleged to have committed  
13 an act, or who has been found to be within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court for com-  
14 mitting an act that is a violation, or if committed by an adult would constitute a violation,  
15 of a law or ordinance of the United States or a state, county or city and who, due to mental  
16 health issues or culturally-specific needs, is at risk of committing further delinquent acts  
17 and at risk of placement by the Oregon Youth Authority in an out-of-home residential set-  
18 ting or a youth correction facility.

19 (2) The Oregon Youth Authority shall establish a pilot project in Marion and Multnomah  
20 Counties to implement the intensive in-home services model, together with the provision of  
21 residential treatment, in this state for youth in the juvenile justice system and their families.

22 (3) The authority may contract with nonprofit entities to establish and implement the  
23 intensive in-home services model and provide the services required. The authority shall en-  
24 sure, and the nonprofit entity shall provide evidence of, appropriate licensure, registration  
25 or certification of facilities and staff that will be used in providing the services.

26 (4) The authority shall study and perform an evaluation of the pilot project. The au-  
27 thority may solicit proposals from qualified entities to perform the evaluation required by  
28 this subsection. The evaluation shall include but not be limited to a short-term comparison  
29 of treatment outcomes, identification of long-term measurements such as recidivism, high  
30 school completion, employment and family functioning and factors that would impact the  
31 ability to replicate the pilot project and the intensive in-home services model throughout this  
32 state.

33 (5)(a) The authority and a nonprofit entity with which the authority has contracted under  
34 this section may solicit and accept gifts, grants and donations from public and private  
35 sources to further the purposes of this section.

36 (b) Moneys obtained by a nonprofit entity pursuant to solicitation and acceptance of gifts,  
37 grants and donations by the nonprofit entity may be maintained, controlled and used for any  
38 purpose deemed appropriate by the nonprofit entity to further the purposes of this section  
39 without informing or obtaining the consent and approval of the authority to receive and use  
40 the moneys.

41 (c) The authority may use any available state and federal funds that the authority deems  
42 appropriate to implement the provisions of this section except for funds directly allocated to  
43 counties.

44 (6) The authority may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section except for  
45 funds directly allocated to counties.

1       **SECTION 3.** The Oregon Youth Authority shall prepare and submit a report to the  
2 standing and interim committees of the Legislative Assembly that have authority over the  
3 subject area of juvenile justice on or before the date of the convening of the 2017 regular  
4 session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

5       **SECTION 4.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-  
6 ated to the Oregon Youth Authority, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, out of the  
7 General Fund, the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, which may be expended for the purposes of imple-  
8 menting section 2 of this 2015 Act.

9       **SECTION 5.** Sections 1 and 2 of this 2015 Act are repealed on June 30, 2017.

10       **SECTION 6.** This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
11 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect  
12 on its passage.  
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