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HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4080

By COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND HOUSING

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1	On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 4, after "Governor's" insert "Child".
2	In line 16, after "Governor's" insert "Child".
3	In line 21, after "Governor's" insert "Child".
4	In line 24, after "(a)" insert "Foster and biological".
5	On page 2, line 2, after "juvenile" insert "dependency".
6	In line 3, delete the second "and".
7	In line 7, delete the period and insert ";
8	"(g) Representatives of the Judicial Department in consultation with the Chief Justice of the
9	Supreme Court; and
10	"(h) Representatives of federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon and organizations serving
11	Native Americans.".
12	Delete lines 24 through 45 and delete page 3 and insert:
13	"SECTION 4. (1) The Governor's Child Foster Care Advisory Commission shall advise the
14	Governor and the Director of Human Services, and make recommendations for legislation,
15	regarding the foster care system in this state. In addition, the commission shall study and
16	report to the Governor and the director with respect to the following:
17	"(a) Legal and policy issues pertaining to the foster care system in this state;
18	"(b) Monitoring accountability in the foster care system by measuring outcomes, includ-
19	ing but not limited to the following:
20	"(A) Increasing the number of children committed to the custody of the Department of
21	Human Services who are placed with family members, relatives or next of kin;
22	"(B) Decreasing the number of placements in, and removals from, substitute care for
23	individual children committed to the custody of the department;
24	"(C) Decreasing the length of time children spend in substitute care;
25	"(D) Decreasing incidences of abuse, neglect and maltreatment for children in substitute
26	care;
27	"(E) Increasing the number of children who receive permanent placements within 24
28	months of entering substitute care;
29	"(F) Decreasing the number of children who, upon becoming ineligible for substitute care,
30	have not achieved independent living status;
31	"(G) Increasing the number of children who are placed with adoptive parents within 12
32	months of termination of the parental rights of a child's biological parents;
33	"(H) Reducing demographic disproportionality in substitute care;
34	"(I) Increasing the number of families involved in the foster care system receiving ser-
35	vices and assistance to make it possible for children in substitute care to safely return home;

1 **and**

2 "(J) Increasing the number of families involved in the foster care system having access 3 to culturally relevant services;

4 "(c) Necessary and recommended improvements to the internal operations of the de-5 partment, including but not limited to the following:

6 "(A) Monitoring, licensing and supervision of foster care providers;

7 "(B) Caseload management;

8 "(C) Procedures for investigation of abuses and deficiencies;

9 "(D) Recruitment, training and retention of foster parents; and

10 "(E) Quality assurance;

"(d) Recommendations to improve and expand the availability of foster care and, where
applicable, to provide alternatives to foster care for children who are in need of care and
services;

14 "(e) Promotion of responsible statewide advocacy for children in foster care; and

"(f) Ongoing review of foster care providers in this state and the identification of barriers
to the provision of quality care and services to children in the foster care system.

17 "(2) In undertaking the commission's responsibilities under subsection (1) of this section, 18 the commission shall consider reports, findings and recommendations that have been or will 19 be issued by legislative and agency task forces, work groups and committees that have 20 undertaken study, review or oversight of the foster care system in this state.

21"(3) The commission may establish any advisory or technical committees the commission 22considers necessary to aid and advise the commission in the performance of its functions. 23 The committees may be continuing or temporary committees. The commission shall determine the representation, membership, terms and organization of the committees and shall 24 25appoint the members of the committees. Members of the committees are not entitled to compensation but, in the discretion of the commission, may be reimbursed from funds 26 27available to the commission for actual and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by the members in the performance of official duties in the manner and amount provided in 28 ORS 292.495. 29

30 "(4) The commission may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

"<u>SECTION 5.</u> This 2016 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2016 Act takes effect
on its passage.".

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