

Requested by Representative STARK

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 4080**

1 On page 1 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
9 Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; and

10 “(h) Representatives of federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon and
11 organizations serving 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 Com-**
14 **mission shall advise the Governor and the Director of Human Services,**
15 **and make recommendations for legislation, regarding the foster care**
16 **system in this state. In addition, the commission shall study and re-**
17 **port to the Governor and the director with respect to the following:**

18 **“(a) Legal and policy issues pertaining to the foster care system in**
19 **this state;**

20 **“(b) Monitoring accountability in the foster care system by meas-**
21 **uring outcomes, including but not limited to the following:**

1 **“(A) Increasing the number of children committed to the custody**
2 **of the Department of Human Services who are placed with family**
3 **members, relatives or next of kin;**

4 **“(B) Decreasing the number of placements in, and removals from,**
5 **substitute care for individual children committed to the custody of the**
6 **department;**

7 **“(C) Decreasing the length of time children spend in substitute**
8 **care;**

9 **“(D) Decreasing incidences of abuse, neglect and maltreatment for**
10 **children in substitute care;**

11 **“(E) Increasing the number of children who receive permanent**
12 **placements within 24 months of entering substitute care;**

13 **“(F) Decreasing the number of children who, upon becoming ineli-**
14 **gible for substitute care, have not achieved independent living status;**

15 **“(G) Increasing the number of children who are placed with**
16 **adoptive parents within 12 months of termination of the parental**
17 **rights of a child’s biological parents;**

18 **“(H) Reducing demographic disproportionality in substitute care;**

19 **“(I) Increasing the number of families involved in the foster care**
20 **system receiving services and assistance to make it possible for chil-**
21 **dren in substitute care to safely return home; and**

22 **“(J) Increasing the number of families involved in the foster care**
23 **system having access to culturally relevant services;**

24 **“(c) Necessary and recommended improvements to the internal op-**
25 **erations of the department, including but not limited to the following:**

26 **“(A) Monitoring, licensing and supervision of foster care providers;**

27 **“(B) Caseload management;**

28 **“(C) Procedures for investigation of abuses and deficiencies;**

29 **“(D) Recruitment, training and retention of foster parents; and**

30 **“(E) Quality assurance;**

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

4 “(e) Promotion of responsible statewide advocacy for children in
5 foster care; and

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

9 “(2) In undertaking the commission’s responsibilities under sub-
10 section (1) of this section, the commission shall consider reports,
11 findings and recommendations that have been or will be issued by
12 legislative and agency task forces, work groups and committees that
13 have undertaken study, review or oversight of the foster care system
14 in this state.

15 “(3) The commission may establish any advisory or technical com-
16 mittees the commission considers necessary to aid and advise the
17 commission in the performance of its functions. The committees may
18 be continuing or temporary committees. The commission shall deter-
19 mine the representation, membership, terms and organization of the
20 committees and shall appoint the members of the committees. Mem-
21 bers of the committees are not entitled to compensation but, in the
22 discretion of the commission, may be reimbursed from funds available
23 to the commission for actual and necessary travel and other expenses
24 incurred by the members in the performance of official duties in the
25 manner and amount provided in ORS 292.495.

26 “(4) The commission may adopt rules to carry out the provisions
27 of this section.

28 “SECTION 5. This 2016 Act being necessary for the immediate
29 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
30 declared to exist, and this 2016 Act takes effect on its passage.”.

