## HB 2170 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

## **House Committee On Human Services and Housing**

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**Sub-Referral To:** Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 3/7

## WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes Office of Oregon Ombudsmen consisting of Long Term Care Ombudsmen, Residential Facilities Ombudsmen, Foster Parent Ombudsmen, Foster Child Ombudsmen, and Oregon Public Guardian and Conservator. Specifies appointment procedures for Office of Oregon Ombudsmen. Establishes duties for Ombudsmen including administration, program coordination, contracting with advocates, and appointment of support staff. Specifies requirements for Foster Child and Foster Parent Ombudsmen including provision of information regarding rights, investigation of complaints, collaboration with stakeholders, resource assistance and establishes hotline. Requires Foster Child Ombudsmen and Foster Parent Ombudsmen to report findings and recommendations of investigation to the foster child or foster parent. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:** 

**BACKGROUND:**