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Measure: SB 104

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Measure Description:

Modifies provisions relating to registry of persons who provide care in certain facilities.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Human Services (DHS), Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Analysis:

Senate Bill 104 redefines "adult foster home" to include homes licensed to provide care to individuals with developmental disability and mental health issues, thereby including those who work, and those seeking work, as a care provider in these homes, or as a home care worker, to be included on the Long Term Care Registry. This inclusion will allow licensees and prospective employees of these homes to benefit from the Registry's criminal history and abuse check portability benefits. Once added on the Registry, the individual does not have to complete a background check to be hired for another Registry-affected position during a 2-year certification period. Home care workers, personal support workers, residential care, nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, and adult foster homes for the aging are all included currently on the Registry.

Passage of this bill will eliminate the need for duplicate background checks and is anticipated to result in nominal savings for the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). The estimated savings is projected at \$49,846 for DHS, and \$8,864 for OHA.

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