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**To:** Ways and Means Full Committee

**From:** Education Subcommittee

**Re:** HB 2259 Relating to enrollment in the Central Background Registry

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**Representative Whisnant:** “HB 2259 provides changes to Oregon law to comply with the recent reauthorization of the federal Child Care Development Block Grant and deals with background checks and related issues of child care providers.

Specifically, the bill authorizes the Early Learning Division of the Oregon Department of Education to maintain information in a central background registry. Background checks must be completed including reviewing information from child abuse and neglect records, adult protective services, and other data bases. Enrollment in the registry is prohibited for applicants with disqualifying conditions resulting from the background checks. Operators and employees of early learning programs must enroll in the registry.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 2259 be reported out do pass.”