

HB 2551 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Prohibits placement of a child with intellectual disability in hotel, motel, inn, hospital, Department of Human Services office, or juvenile detention facility while in protective custody. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

An independent review of child safety in substitute care within Oregon’s Department of Human Services was conducted in 2016. The review found appropriate placements were not consistently available for children and youth in substitute care. Children with behavioral or physical health issues were found to have declining placement options to meet their needs within Oregon.

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