

HCR 33 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Taylor

Senate Committee On Human Services

Action Date: 05/24/17
Action: Do adopt the A-Eng measure.
Vote: 3-0-2-0
Yeas: 3 - Dembrow, Gelser, Monnes Anderson
Exc: 2 - Knopp, Olsen
Fiscal: No fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Encourages state officers, agencies, and employees to learn about impact of trauma and to implement evidence-based trauma-informed care practices and interventions.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Promoting trauma-informed services in local and state agencies
- Impact of trauma-informed care on child development and organizational development
- Understanding science of trauma-informed care for agency personnel
- Trauma-informed care resolutions in other states
- Trauma-informed care practices in Southern and North-Central Oregon

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Recent research has significantly improved understanding of how emotional neglect and exposure to trauma and toxic stress can affect the way children perceive and interact with their world during childhood. This understanding has helped develop evidence-based, trauma-informed practices that promote healing and resiliency.

Post-traumatic stress injuries and trauma-related symptoms in children and adults can result from a single traumatic incident or cumulative exposure. Both children and adults can develop negative coping behaviors that limit their capacity to function in healthy ways. Such trauma experienced by children in particular can impact brain development, and unhealthy patterns of perception and interaction can persist into adulthood and be passed on to subsequent generations. Treatment in early childhood may combat the impacts of adverse childhood experiences and addressing a child's brain development is more effective and less costly than addressing issues later in life.

House Concurrent Resolution 33-A encourages state officers, agencies, and employees to become informed regarding the impact of trauma and to implement evidence-based trauma-informed care practices and interventions.