

Requested by Representative NATHANSON

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2401**

1 Delete lines 4 through 26 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 418.751 is amended to read:

3 “418.751. (1) The Department of Human Services, as provided in ORS
4 418.702, and the Department of Justice shall ensure that training and edu-
5 cation are provided for persons, other than law enforcement officers, who are
6 required to investigate allegations of child abuse.

7 **“(2)(a) The Department of Human Services shall provide training**
8 **that includes a trauma-informed curriculum for employees within the**
9 **department who are responsible for licensing, certifying or otherwise**
10 **authorizing child-caring agencies and foster homes and for employees**
11 **who investigate such agencies and homes. Training must include a**
12 **trauma-informed curriculum that addresses and includes the follow-**
13 **ing:**

14 **“(A) Interview models and practices that are informed by policy,**
15 **research and practice guidelines, with an emphasis on avoiding**
16 **retraumatization by interview;**

17 **“(B) Recognizing characteristic signs and symptoms of child trau-**
18 **matic stress in children of different developmental ages and cultural**
19 **backgrounds;**

20 **“(C) The impact of trauma on a child’s safety, permanency and**
21 **well-being;**

1 **“(D) Using and administering trauma-informed assessment tools,**
2 **instruments and practice strategies;**

3 **“(E) Collection of information on a child’s trauma history;**

4 **“(F) Techniques that promote children’s recovery and resiliency;**
5 **and**

6 **“(G) Methods for improving placement stability by reducing the**
7 **number of placements, shortening length of stays in care and reducing**
8 **the number of placement moves.**

9 **“(b) Subject to the availability of funds, the Director of Human**
10 **Services may extend trauma-informed training and curriculum to**
11 **other persons in the child welfare system including caseworkers, foster**
12 **parents, parents, medical examiners and educators.**

13 **“[(2)] (3) The Department of Human Services and the Department of Jus-**
14 **tice shall work with the Board on Public Safety Standards and Training to**
15 **ensure that the training that is offered to persons under subsection (1) of this**
16 **section and ORS 418.702 is coordinated with the training given to law**
17 **enforcement officers.”.**

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