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Oregon Senate
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Re: SB 492

"Proclaims state policy to provide aids, benefits and services to persons with disabilities who are parents or guardians."

The Association of Oregon Centers for Independent Living would like to express its support for SB 492, which provides appropriate and equitable supports and reunification services to parents or guardians of youth who are returning to their homes after having been removed by the state.

We would like to recommend Centers for Independent Living as a valuable community resource that provides people with disabilities with peer counseling, skills training, and other vital programs and services that empower them to achieve their personal goals.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment.

Respectfully,

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