

HB 2042 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Removes the January 1, 2020, sunset and makes permanent the law allowing Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) and county juvenile departments to disclose and provide reports and materials regarding a youth's history and prognosis to the Department of Corrections (DOC). Limits the reports and materials used by DOC to those pertaining to youth committed to DOC while under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and individuals placed under the physical custody of OYA and subsequently transferred to the physical custody of DOC. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2015, House Bill 2313 was passed with a June 30, 2017, sunset. In 2017, House Bill 2248 extended that sunset to January 1, 2020. Those bills authorized OYA and county juvenile departments to disclose reports and other materials related to a child, ward, youth or youth offender's history and prognosis to DOC to help DOC fulfill its official duties of custody or supervision. Those bills limited DOC's access to reports and materials that pertain to persons placed in the physical custody of OYA and subsequently transferred to the physical custody of DOC, or persons committed to the legal and physical custody of DOC while under juvenile court jurisdiction, including those in the legal custody of OYA. The information sharing authorized in those bills was meant to better enabled DOC to provide a continuity of care and quality case management for persons who transfer from juvenile court jurisdiction or the physical custody of OYA into DOC's physical custody.

House Bill 2042 removes the sunset and makes this law permanent.