

SB 492 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Extends state policy of offering appropriate reunification services to parents and guardians, to include equal reunification opportunities for parents and guardians with disabilities. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: No revenue impact.

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Process for termination of parental rights

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

It is the current policy of the State of Oregon to provide appropriate reunification services to parents and guardians in most situations, that support the safe return of children.

Senate Bill 492, allowing for some necessary differences, extends the same opportunity to benefit from, or participate in, reunification services to parents and guardians with disabilities.