

SB 415 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands list of mandatory reporters of child abuse to include school district board members and public charter school governing body members.

REVENUE: No revenue impact.

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Situations where a mandatory reporter is not required to report suspected abuse

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Expands list of mandatory reporters of child abuse to include employees of the Oregon Department of Education.

REVENUE: No revenue impact.

FISCAL: No fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon specifically lists individuals who are required to report abuse by law, called "mandatory reporters." In 2015, Senate Bill 622 included home care workers and personal support workers on the list of mandatory reporters. Other mandatory reporters include physicians, dentists, school employees, health care professionals, members of the clergy, attorneys, and child care providers. Senate Bill 415 adds school district board members and public charter school governing body members to the list.