

HB 2332 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services and Housing

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 2/6, 3/20, 3/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates funds to the Governor's Child Foster Care Advisory Commission for compensation and reimbursement for necessary travel and other expenses. Requires Governor to provide staff support.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Programs offered by the Commission
- Child safety programs when abuse is reported
- Goals of programs is to try and reunite children in foster care with their parents

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2016, House Bill 4080 established the Oregon Child Foster Care Advisory Commission to study the issues within the Oregon foster care system and advise the Governor and the Department of Human Services on those issues.

The Commission is tasked to study legal and policy issues pertaining to the foster care system in Oregon and monitor accountability in the foster care system by measuring outcomes in a number of areas including increasing the number of children committed to the custody of the Department of Human Services who are placed with family members, relatives or next of kin; decreasing the number of placements in, and removals from, substitute care for individual children committed to the custody of the department; decreasing the length of time children spend in substitute care; and related areas of child safety in Oregon.

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