

## **SB 181 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Includes county programs that provide care or services to children in custody of Department of Human Services (DHS) or Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) in definition of "child-caring agency" that is subject to licensing by DHS. Adds definition of "county program" to include any county-operated program that provides care or services to children in the custody of DHS or OYA, excluding any local juvenile detention facility that receives state services provided and coordinated by the Department of Corrections. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Fiscal impact
- Purpose of amendment

#### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

Adds county reporting requirements when a youth offender remains in a juvenile detention facility for longer than six months; these are related to participation in federal foster care programs.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Child-Caring Agencies (CCAs) are private agencies providing day treatment for children with emotional disturbances, adoption placement services, residential care (including foster care or residential treatment for children), outdoor youth programs, and other similar care or services for children. CCAs are licensed by the Department of Human Services (DHS). There are eight types of CCAs: residential care; foster care agencies; outdoor youth programs; homeless and runaway shelters or transitional living programs; academic boarding schools; therapeutic boarding schools; day treatment; and adoption agencies. According to DHS, there are 95 CCAs in Oregon with 174 programs. In 2018, CCAs served 3,070 children.

Day care programs, group homes for children with developmental disabilities, and county programs providing care or services to children are not CCAs. The measure adds county programs that provide care or services to children in custody of DHS or the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) to the definition of child-caring agencies regulated by DHS. The measure defines "county program" as any county-operated program that provides care or services to children in the custody of DHS or OYA, excluding any local juvenile detention facility that receives state services provided and coordinated by the Department of Corrections.