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To: Human Services Subcommittee
From: Laurie Byerly, Legislative Fiscal Office
Date: June 6, 2019
Subject: HB 3183 – Relating to temporary assistance for needy families program

HB 3183 modifies statutes related to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program at the Department of Human Services (DHS) to align law with TANF as it is currently operating. This includes the clean-up of TANF redesign statute changes made in 2007 that have been suspended each biennium since then due to funding, caseload, and other changing program dynamics. The bill also provides the program more flexibility by shifting some standards or provisions from statute to rule-making.

The recommended amendment, preliminary staff measure summary, and fiscal impact statement are available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS). The measure previously had hearings in the House Committee on Human Services and Housing on April 3 and 8, 2019. The bill's fiscal impact results in cost avoidance of \$12.2 million General Fund due to the removal of the 2007 requirements; consistent with prior biennia the fiscal impact is already assumed in the DHS 2019-21 current service level budget.

The -A5 amendment gives the agency more discretion around the provision of post-TANF services. It does not change the fiscal impact.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A5 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A5 amendment to HB 3183. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 3183, as amended by the -A5 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 3183, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____