



February 3, 2020

Chair Keny-Guyer, Vice-Chair Noble, Vice-Chair Williams, and Members of the House Human Services and Housing Committee,

Children First works with our 120 partner organizations to develop the Children's Agenda. We identify and elevate legislative concepts that will support the needs of Oregon's children - our children - so that all of our children have opportunities to reach their full potential.

HB 4112 is a priority issue on the 2020 Children's Agenda. We hope that you and your colleagues will agree with us that this is unfinished business from 2019, and support this investment.

There are three critical components of HB 4112:

Prevent - HB 4112 increases ODE staffing by 1 FTE to support school districts in developing and implementing child abuse prevention curriculum to implement Erin's Law.

Detect - HB 4112 includes a one-time ask to fund the Oregon Child Abuse Prevalence Study.

Intervene - HB 4112 invests in Children's Advocacy Centers to provide medical exams, forensic interviews, and follow-up treatment to kids who have been victimized, or who were witness to a crime.

We ask for your support for HB 4112, and together we hope we can get it across the finish line and funded this session.

Sincerely,

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