SB 436 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation

Action Date: 02/04/21

Action: Do pass. Vote: 4-3-0-0

Yeas: 4 - Dembrow, Gelser, Manning Jr, Prozanski

Nays: 3 - Heard, Linthicum, Thatcher Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 1/25, 2/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies terminology by changing statutory references to "youth offender" to "adjudicated youth." Defines "adjudicated youth."

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Designed to reduce ambiguity
- Promotes language changes to Oregon Youth Authority rules and policies
- Length of bill

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) is part of Oregon's juvenile justice system. OYA serves youth who are either on parole or probation in the community or inside secure facilities. OYA is responsible for youth ages 12 to 24 who commit crimes before age 18. They work with youth who are unsuccessful at the county level, who need more services than the county can provide, or who commit very serious crimes. Currently, OYA uses a variety of terminology when referring to youth in the custody of OYA.

Senate Bill 436 changes statutory references from "youth offender" to "adjudicated youth."

Carrier: Sen. Manning Jr