HB 3116 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Human Services

Action Date: 03/24/21

Action: Do pass. Refer to Ways and Means.

Vote: 5-0-2-0

Yeas: 5 - Leif, Ruiz, Sanchez, Schouten, Williams

Exc: 2 - Noble, Owens
Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued
Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/1, 3/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Department of Human Services (DHS) to study and make recommendations for a more equitable funding structure for county-based community developmental disabilities programs and report to the Legislative Assembly by December 31, 2022. Sunsets January 2, 2023. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

Provisions of measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Community Developmental Disability Programs (CDDPs) are county-owned and operated programs that serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. They rely on state funding and there are currently 31 in Oregon. The Association of Oregon Counties and the Association of Oregon Community Mental Health Programs report that in many areas, especially large urban areas, state funding is not sufficient to serve clients who have barriers to service delivery due to cultural, linguistic, and socioeconomic needs that are different from the dominant culture. The Department of Human Services (DHS) reports that the workload model currently used to allocate funding to CDDPs does not account for differences in costs by region or county, or differences in operations.

House Bill 3116 requires DHS to recommend a more equitable funding structure for CDDPs to the Legislative Assembly by December 31, 2022.