On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 2, delete the first “and”.
In line 3, before the period insert “; and declaring an emergency”.
On page 7, after line 42, insert:

“SECTION 8. (1) It is the policy of this state that an individual may not be disqualified from providing child welfare services to a child or ward:

“(a) For the sole reason that the individual received child welfare services as a child or youth;

“(b) For the sole reason that the individual is a person with a disability; or

“(c) On the basis of race, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender expression or disability.

“(2) Subsection (1) of this section applies to any person providing child welfare services to a child or ward, including but not limited to foster parents, proctor foster parents, adoptive parents, relative caregivers, safety providers and direct service providers.

“SECTION 9. It is the policy of this state that a child, ward or youth may not be prohibited from, disciplined for or retaliated against for publicly or privately speaking about the child, ward or youth’s experience receiving child welfare services.

“SECTION 10. The amendments to ORS 419B.335 and 419B.354 and sections 4, 7a and 12b, chapter 19, Oregon Laws 2020 (first special session), by sections 1 to 5 of this 2021 Act become operative on January 2, 2022.

“SECTION 11. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.”.

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