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Title: SB 86A, ODDS: Statute Alignment for Settings Supporting Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

Summary:

- This bill would provide express authority to consider a provider's performance in other states in licensing and certification and would align residential training homes and facility statutes with adult foster homes.

Need for policy change:

- The Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) lacks explicit statutory authority to consider the performance of a provider or provider agency operating a program or setting in another state outside of Oregon.
- This allows those who lose the ability to be providers in neighboring states to come to Oregon and provide services to vulnerable Oregonians.
- ODDS needs stronger statutory authority to implement conditions on a providers license when there is a situation of potential danger to residents of residential training homes or facilities similar to the language existing in statute related to adult foster homes (ORS 443.745).
- This legislative bill will give ODDS authority by aligning the statutory language for residential training homes and facilities to be consistent with the statute for adult foster homes, giving ODDS explicit statutory language that describes the Department's authority and ability to evaluate operating history of an applicant/provider when the applicant has operated programs or settings outside of Oregon.

Fiscal impact:

- This bill does not have an identifiable fiscal impact.

Equity impact:

The adoption of consistent standards and practices across service settings and provider types assures more equitable service outcomes to individuals and an improved system for applying tools to assure safety and sufficient service delivery to vulnerable populations served by ODDS.

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