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Measure: SB 265 - 1

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Measure Description:

Requires Department of Human Services to study and make recommendations to interim committees of Legislative Assembly, no later than September 15, 2022, for legislative changes needed to improve care of residents and training of staff in residential programs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), Department of Human Services (DHS)

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the Senate Committee on Human Services, Mental Health and Recovery to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The measure requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to ensure that staff working in residential programs that serve children placed there by public entities, be trained and certified in nonviolent crisis intervention. DHS must provide staff a stipend to compensate for time spent in training, and reimbursement for travel costs to attend training. DHS must ensure at least 20 instructors are trained and certified by July 1, 2022. DHS must also provide funding to a residential program to train the program's staff in nonviolent crisis intervention in an amount sufficient to train two staff persons for every staff person for which the program pays for training. DHS is directed to report to the Legislative Assembly on the training four times between October 1, 2021, and July 1, 2022. This measure appropriates \$750,000 to the Emergency Board to allocate to DHS to carry out this measure. Moneys not allocated by December 1, 2022 become available for any purpose for which the Emergency Board may allocate funds.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on DHS, the Oregon Health Authority, and the Oregon Youth Authority.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required

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