

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB1556 Relating to caregivers

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Lieber

SB 1556 establishes a process for Oregon’s direct care workers to become certified as home or community-based services caregivers. This includes home care workers or employees of agencies that provide home and community-based services to consumers in the Aging and People with Disabilities system.

It requires the Department of Human Services to work with stakeholders to

- Adopt administrative rules setting out the criteria for certification,
- Develop an application process and verification requirements, and
- Establish and maintain an online registry of caregivers that is accessible to the public.

DHS estimates a need for \$333,204 total funds and one permanent full-time Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position to implement the measure. The -A6 amendment puts the funding in the bill.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends SB 1556 be amended by the –A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.