

HB 4032 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Early Childhood

Action Date: 02/07/22

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.
(Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 8-0-0-0

Yeas: 8 - Lively, Neron, Power, Reynolds, Schouten, Weber, Wright, Zika

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/2, 2/7

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires the Early Learning Division to develop and maintain informational resources for child care providers, early childhood educators, and parents or guardians of children with disabilities. Establishes content, format, and distribution requirements for the informational resources; and requires the Early Learning Division to consult with the State Interagency Coordinating Council, Bureau of Labor and Industries, Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Department of Human Services, and any other relevant state agencies when developing the informational resources. Requires that child care providers and early childhood educators receive training on the programs and services available to children with disabilities as well as the responsibilities of providers and educators to comply with relevant civil rights laws. Establishes effective date for training requirement of January 1, 2024.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Ability of children experiencing disability to access child care
- Need for information among families and providers

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Establishes effective date for training requirement of January 1, 2024.

BACKGROUND:

During the 2021 legislative session, the House Early Childhood Committee heard testimony about the difficulties that parents of children experiencing disability face when attempting to access child care. House Bill 4032 A establishes information and training requirements to inform providers and parents about the rights of children experiencing disability to access public accommodation businesses such as child care.