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On Behalf Of:

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Honorable Members of the House Committee on Human Services.

HB 4012 involves reviewing the child welfare service provider rates. As the Oregon Youth Authority contracts with child caring agencies licensed by ODHS, we work in partnership with our sister agency often to develop and support these systems of care. Part of that is through the rate studies and structure. Historically these rate studies have involved OYA and we report/implement results through our respective agency, DAS and Legislative staff to align rates and budgets. HB 4012-2 adds that ODHS will collaborate with OYA and that we will join in reporting back the results of the rate review. We support the added language as it aligns with practice and shared goals between sister agencies.

Respectfully,
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