

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Oregon Youth Authority County Funding Outcomes

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Public Safety Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Sollman

On Wednesday, March 29, the Public Safety Subcommittee recommended acknowledging receipt of a report from the Oregon Youth Authority on county funding outcomes.

This is the second of two reports required from a budget note around how counties utilize the Juvenile Crime Prevention funds that are passed through from the Authority to local juvenile diversion programs.

This report includes a new comprehensive planning narrative tool, to be submitted by counties, designed to gather more detailed information on how funding is used. The additional data points will help better determine the demand on services and funding, and to possibly address areas that are not currently being met.

Additionally, the Youth Authority and counties agreed that a new requirement should be put in place for counties to complete a Juvenile Crime Prevention assessment on all youth within 30 days of disposition. Failure to meet this standard will require counties to outline a plan for improvement, redirect funding toward assessments if necessary, or potentially lose funding.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends approval.