

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 3005

Relating to financial assistance for early child care infrastructure activities

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Education Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative McLain

HB 3005 directs the Housing and Community Services Department to provide financial assistance to eligible applicants to pay for allowable costs related to early childcare infrastructure activities.

The measure directs the Oregon Business Development Department to administer the Child Care Infrastructure Fund in consultation with the Department of Early Learning and Care. The measure directs Department of Early Learning and Care to establish programming to award grants to nonprofit entities with experience in providing technical assistance to childcare providers for redistribution by a nonprofit organization to eligible applicants. It removes language directing the Oregon Business Development Department to enter into an interagency agreement with Department of Early Learning and Care over the transfer of funding. Funding for this measure, if legislatively approved, would be included in the end-of-session Lottery bonding bill (HB 5030); this measure does not include any appropriations and only establishes the Childcare Infrastructure Program. The end-of-session bill (HB 5506) would include any necessary funding or establishment of position authority.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 3005 be amended by the –A4 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.