

SB 968 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Patterson

Senate Committee On Health Care

Action Date: 03/22/23

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 5-0-1-0

Yeas: 5 - Bonham, Campos, Hayden, Patterson, President Wagner

Exc: 1 - Gorsek

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/15, 3/22

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Changes the timeline for updating the strategic plan of the System of Care Advisory Council (SOCAC) from every two to every four years, with the next one due in 2026. Requires the Oregon Youth Authority, the Department of Human Services, the Oregon Health Authority, the Department of Education, Coordinated Care Organizations and any other state agencies, boards or commissions to work with the SOCAC on joint studies. Directs the SOCAC to provide recommendations to the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Provides specific timeframes for strategic plan updates and specifies the state agencies that are required to participate in planning.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 1 (2019) established the System of Care Advisory Council. Senate Bill 4 (2021) authorized the council to appoint an executive director and make recommendations on state agency budgets. The council acts as a central, impartial forum for statewide policy development, funding strategy recommendations, and planning. The council's goal is to improve the effectiveness and efficacy of child-serving state agencies and the continuum of care that provides services to youth (ages 0-25).

Senate Bill 968 A changes the timeline for the System of Care Advisory Council (SOCAC) strategic plan update and specifies requirements for state agencies and entities to collaborate with the SOCAC.