

**HB 2372 B STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY****Carrier:** Sen. Gelser Blouin**Senate Committee On Judiciary****Action Date:** 05/10/23**Action:** Do pass with amendments to the A-Eng bill. (Printed B-Eng.)**Vote:** 3-0-0-2**Yeas:** 3 - Gelser Blouin, Manning Jr, Prozanski**Abs:** 2 - Linthicum, Thatcher**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact**Revenue:** No revenue impact**Prepared By:** Lucy Ohlsen, LPRO Analyst**Meeting Dates:** 5/2, 5/10**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Modifies statutory purpose and duties of Youth Development Council (YDC) and Youth Development Division (YDD). Clarifies YDC's role related to funding processes. Expands funding prioritization of the YDC. Clarifies collaborative relationship between YDC and YDD related to statewide youth reengagement system. Modifies authority of YDC and clarifies YDC may direct distribution of funding by YDD and that YDC may delegate responsibilities to the YDD. Expands YDC's duties related to review of local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans to include federally recognized Indian tribes. Modifies requirements for local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans and clarifies submitter of the plan. Directs YDC to allocate funding to federally recognized Indian tribes to support tribal high-risk juvenile prevention plans. Specifies process to determine allocation of funding. Clarifies any county government entity may participate in high-risk juvenile prevention plan process.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- The term "other emerging models" referenced in measure
- Background of Youth Development Division and Youth Development Council
- Updating duties and roles of YDD and YDC in statute

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

In section of bill related to high-risk juvenile prevention plans, changes reference to "county government" entities to the "governing body of a county."

**BACKGROUND:**

The Youth Development Council (YDC) was created through legislation in 2012 to support Oregon's education system by developing state policy and administering funding to community and school-based youth development programs, services, and initiatives for youth ages 6-24 in a manner that supports educational success and career and workforce development, focuses on crime prevention, and reduces high-risk behavior. In 2013, the Legislative Assembly established the Youth Development Division (YDD) within the Oregon Department of Education, under the direction of the YDC. The YDC and YDD coordinate to develop and fund programs, services, and initiatives for vulnerable and resilient youth that reduce barriers to education, ensure employment success, expand access to positive activities, and build social, emotional, and mental health skills and competencies.

House Bill 2372 B updates the YDC's statutory purpose and duties, and expands their focus on the provision of workforce development and other career readiness-related programming. It expands funding prioritization to services that are supported by culturally specific and traditional practices and other emerging models and directs the YDC to collaborate with the YDD to coordinate the statewide youth reengagement system. The measure directs the YDC to consult or communicate with federally recognized Indian tribes, in addition to the Oregon Youth Authority and county juvenile departments, to adopt rules related to local high-risk juvenile crime

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prevention plans. The measure also adds several statutory duties to the YDD related to funding, compliance monitoring, program development, engaging in administrative functions, increasing youth participation in youth development programs, and ensuring that services are delivered in an equitable, accountable, and effective manner. Finally, the measure modifies the requirements for local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans set forth in ORS 417.855, directs the YDC to allocate funding to federally recognized Indian tribes in addition to eligible counties, and clarifies that any county government may engage in the plan process.