

HB 2372
Youth Development Council and Division Statutory Updates

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# Background



The **Youth Development Council (YDC)** is a state advisory board with rulemaking and grantmaking authority and responsibility for strategic direction and coordination of youth development programs. The YDC is also the designated State Advisory Group (SAG) responsible for oversight of federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDPA) compliance monitoring and Title II funding.



The **Youth Development Division (YDD)** is Oregon's youth development agency, housed within the Oregon Department of Education. YDD administers grant programs and collaborates with state agencies and communities to support youth educational and career success and prevent youth crime and violence.



**Youth Development Oregon** refers to the collective work of the Division and Council. Key agency responsibilities like grantmaking processes and JJDPA compliance monitoring are shared efforts of the YDD and YDC.

#### Bill Purpose



HB 2372 updates the statutory language describing the Youth Development Council and Youth Development Division. These updates:

- Provide a more comprehensive and current description of the roles and responsibilities of the Council and Division
- Clarify how the Council and Division work together
- Improve key council and agency processes

# **Current Statutory Language**



- The Youth Development Division's scope of work, responsibilities, and authority are not described in current statutes
- The respective roles of the Council and Division in grant funding processes are not well defined

#### **Current Statutory Language**



- The Division's authority to administer grant programs with direct appropriations from the legislature is not clearly established
- Language addressing the purpose of the YDC does not accurately capture the of the current scope of YDC and YDD, which includes Juvenile Crime Prevention as well as community-based efforts to improve educational and employment outcomes for youth ages 6 through 24.

#### **Intended Outcomes**



- Clarify the respective roles and functions of the Council and Division
- More efficient grantmaking processes
- Value culturally-specific and traditional Tribal practices alongside evidence-based programs
- Acknowledge Tribal Nation JCP plans and funding
- Clarify process for counties to submitting JCP plans, flexibility around participation
- Prioritize youth voice and leadership, collaboration with other state agencies, and accountability of funded youth development programs
- Align purpose and approach with mission, vision and strategic plan of the Youth Development Council and Division



#### **Thank You**

# **QUESTIONS?**

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