HB 4105 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Early Childhood and Human Services

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Meeting Dates: 2/5, 2/12

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure appropriates \$3,155,147 General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority to provide the nonfederal matching share for the Nurse-Family Partnership home visiting services program. The measure declares an emergency and is effective on passage.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Health Authority oversees several home visiting programs for low-income families before and after childbirth. One such program is operated by Nurse-Family Partnership, a nonprofit organization that is active in nine Oregon counties. Nurse-Family Parternship pairs nurses with parents and families early in pregnancy through a child's second birthday to engage in regular home visits. The visits are designed to promote healthy practices, improve child development, and support economic self-sufficiency. NFP receives partial federal funding through the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) program and Medicaid. The remaining costs are covered by county funds.

House Bill 4105 appropriates \$3,155,147 General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority to cover the county-provided share of costs of the Nurse-Family Partnership program.