

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Human Services Home and Community-Based Services Update

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Gelser Blouin

On February 19th, the Human Services Subcommittee recommended acknowledging receipt of a report from the Department of Human Services and Oregon Health Authority on home and community based services expenditures.

DHS and OHA initially reported in January as required by a budget note and the agencies were instructed to submit a follow-up report during the 2024 session that highlighted some of the early program outcomes associated with the American Rescue Plan Act funds provided to enhance home and community-based services in Oregon. The Subcommittee received the follow-up report and was generally satisfied with the information provided, with the understanding DHS and OHA should evaluate the longer-range program outcomes from these investments in home and community based services and update the Legislature on its findings.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval.