

SENATE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON EARLY CHILDHOOD AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

November 18, 2025
02:30 PM

Hearing Room B

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Lisa Reynolds, Chair
Sen. Dick Anderson, Vice-Chair
Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin
Sen. Diane Linthicum
Sen. Deb Patterson

STAFF PRESENT: Katie Hart, LPRO Analyst
Nathan Messmer, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Micro-Center Pilot Program - Informational Meeting
Child Care Liability Insurance - Informational Meeting
Behavioral Health Workforce Overview - Informational Meeting
SNAP, WIC, and Early Childhood Nutrition - Informational Meeting
Marijuana Policy - Informational Meeting

00:00:01 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:02 Chair Lisa Reynolds, Senate District 17
00:00:42 Sen. Sara Gelser Blouin, Senate District 8
00:01:01 Vice-Chair Dick Anderson, Senate District 5
00:01:42 Sen. Deb Patterson, Senate District 10
00:01:51 Sen. Diane Linthicum, Senate District 28
00:02:11 Katie Hart, LPRO Analyst
00:02:18 Nathan Messmer, Committee Assistant

00:02:59 Micro-Center Pilot Program - Informational Meeting
00:03:00 Chair Reynolds
00:03:14 Alicia Gardiner, Child Care Licensing Director, Department of Early Learning and Care
00:13:39 Sen. Gelser Blouin
00:21:53 Sen. Patterson
00:30:12 Vice-Chair Anderson

00:46:56 Child Care Liability Insurance - Informational Meeting
00:46:57 Chair Reynolds

00:47:08 Carey McCann, Interim Director, Department of Early Learning and Care
00:57:39 Vice-Chair Anderson
01:00:26 Sen. Gelser Blouin

01:06:45 **Behavioral Health Workforce Overview - Informational Meeting**
01:06:46 Chair Reynolds
01:07:16 Jon Collins, Deputy Director, Business Operations and Strategy,
Behavioral Health Division (BHD), Oregon Health Authority (OHA)
01:09:34 Tim Nesbitt, Manager, Behavioral Health Workforce Incentives, BHD, OHA
01:14:56 Vice-Chair Anderson
01:37:07 Sen. Patterson
01:38:39 Cissie Bollinger, Licensing and Certification Manager, BHD, OHA
01:42:17 Sen. Gelser Blouin

01:49:12 **SNAP, WIC, and Early Childhood Nutrition - Informational Meeting**
01:49:13 Chair Reynolds
01:50:20 Naomi Adeline-Biggs, Public Health Director, Oregon Health Authority
01:50:37 Jessica Amaya Hoffman, Deputy Director, Self-Sufficiency Programs,
Oregon Department of Human Services
02:02:41 Tiare Sanna, Director, Women, Infants, and Children's Program (WIC),
OHA

02:21:29 **Marijuana Policy - Informational Meeting**
02:21:30 Chair Reynolds
02:28:01 Sen. Gelser Blouin
02:29:06 Niki Terzieff, The Cannabis Alliance of Oregon
02:29:59 Sen. Patterson
02:30:35 Meeting Adjourned