House Bill 3273

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SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Human Services to contract with victim services providers to place staff members from victim services providers at child welfare offices.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to domestic violence programs.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) As used in this section, "victim services provider" means a nonprofit 5 agency or program receiving moneys administered by the Department of Human Services or 6 the Department of Justice that offers safety planning, counseling, support or advocacy to 7 victims of domestic violence.

8 (2) The Department of Human Services shall contract with local victim services providers 9 to place staff members from victim services providers at child welfare offices. The purpose 10 of the placement is to allow the staff members to divide their time between the child welfare 11 office and the staff member's office to foster a closer working relationship between the child 12 welfare system and victim services providers.

13 (3) The staff members described in subsection (2) of this section shall:

(a) Provide in-depth safety planning, education, advocacy and continuing support to adult
victims of domestic violence who have children in the child welfare system;

16 (b) Receive referrals on cases that are closed at assessment; and

(c) Participate in case reviews and provide consultation to workers at the child welfare
office.

(4) In addition to the services provided under subsection (3) of this section, staff mem bers from victim services providers shall work with addiction and recovery teams to help
address co-occurrence of domestic violence and substance abuse.

(5) The department shall consult with victim service providers in coordinating the pro vision of services under this section.

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