

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3244

Ordered by the House April 17
Including House Amendments dated April 17

Sponsored by Representative BOONE

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Increases age of runaway and homeless youth for whom Department of Human Services must recommend policies for system of services and support from 18 to 21 years.]

Directs Department of Human Services to recommend policies to integrate system of services and support for runaway and homeless youth who are 0 through 17 years of age and for youth who are 18 through 20 years of age who continue to be or who become homeless. Authorizes department to enter into and renew contracts with providers of services to youth who are 18 through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become homeless.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to support services for youth; amending ORS 417.799.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 417.799 is amended to read:

5 417.799. (1) The Department of Human Services is responsible for coordinating statewide plan-
6 ning for delivery of services to runaway and homeless youth and their families.

7 (2) The department shall recommend policies that integrate a system of services and support for
8 runaway and homeless youth into the state's continuum of care for children who are 0 through
9 [18] **17** years of age. **The department shall recommend policies for a system of services and**
10 **support for youth who are 18 through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become**
11 **homeless.**

12 (3) The department may work with the Juvenile Crime Prevention Advisory Committee, the
13 Employment Department, the Housing and Community Services Department, the Department of
14 Community Colleges and Workforce Development, the Department of Education and the Oregon
15 Youth Authority to develop a comprehensive and coordinated approach for services and support for
16 runaway and homeless youth and their families, **including youth who are 18 through 20 years of**
17 **age and who continue to be or who become homeless.**

18 (4) In addition to the state agencies listed in subsection (3) of this section, the department shall
19 include representatives of youth, nonprofit organizations and statewide coalitions related to runa-
20 way and homeless youth services and supports, **including services and supports for youth who**
21 **are 18 through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become homeless,** in the joint
22 process described in subsection (3) of this section.

23 (5) The department may enter into and renew contracts with providers for the provision of ser-
24 vices to runaway and homeless youth and their families, **including services to youth who are 18**
25 **through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become homeless.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **SECTION 2.** ORS 417.799, as amended by section 109, chapter 37, Oregon Laws 2012, is
2 amended to read:

3 417.799. (1) The Department of Human Services is responsible for coordinating statewide plan-
4 ning for delivery of services to runaway and homeless youth and their families.

5 (2) The department shall recommend policies that integrate a system of services and support for
6 runaway and homeless youth into the state's continuum of care for children who are 0 through
7 [18] 17 years of age. **The department shall recommend policies for a system of services and**
8 **support for youth who are 18 through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become**
9 **homeless.**

10 (3) The department may work with the Youth Development Council, the Employment Depart-
11 ment, the Housing and Community Services Department, the Department of Community Colleges and
12 Workforce Development, the Department of Education and the Oregon Youth Authority to develop
13 a comprehensive and coordinated approach for services and support for runaway and homeless youth
14 and their families, **including youth who are 18 through 20 years of age and who continue to**
15 **be or who become homeless.**

16 (4) In addition to the entities listed in subsection (3) of this section, the department shall include
17 representatives of youth, nonprofit organizations and statewide coalitions related to runaway and
18 homeless youth services and supports, **including services and supports for youth who are 18**
19 **through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become homeless,** in the joint process
20 described in subsection (3) of this section.

21 (5) The department may enter into and renew contracts with providers for the provision of ser-
22 vices to runaway and homeless youth and their families, **including services to youth who are 18**
23 **through 20 years of age and who continue to be or who become homeless.**