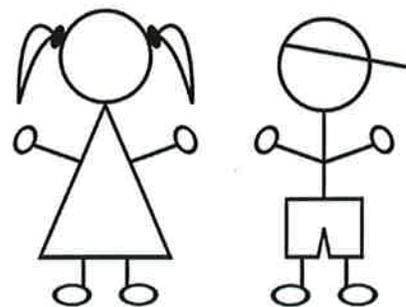


Please Support House Bill 4080 to Create the Governor's Child Foster Care Commission



- With over 7,500 children in foster care on an average day in Oregon, it's important to have an ongoing, permanent Advisory Commission in place to assist the Governor and legislators on policy recommendations.
- Members of the Commission could include Foster parents, former Foster Children, Advocates, Juvenile Dependency attorneys and others with expertise in the foster care system.
- The Commission will monitor accountability and outcomes in the foster care system to track the number of times children are moved to different homes, reduce the number of incidents of abuse, and decrease the length of time children spend in care.
- Under HB 4080 the Commission will recommend improvements at the Department of Human Services foster care programs including procedures for licensing and investigating foster care providers.

"I strongly support the concept of a Governor's Commission on Foster Care that prioritizes the safety and well-being of the more than 7,500 children in the state foster care system."

– Governor Kate Brown

"It is important for Oregon to have a group of knowledgeable citizens to oversee Oregon's foster care system, to regularly track its most important outcomes, and to advise the Governor's office on steps for Oregon to do a better job for children and families." - Youth, Rights & Justice

"There is no single pathway to a solution to the system issues for these children and families. It will take a larger perspective and multiple strategies to make a strong system and even stronger alternatives for families to stay together in safe, healthy homes. The legislation creates this critical opportunity." – Oregon Alliance of Children's Programs



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From the desk of Senator Chip Shields:

A blue ink signature of Senator Chip Shields.