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House Bill 2500

Sponsored by Representative SMITH DB, Senator ROBLAN, Representative STARK (at the request of former Representative Wayne Krieger) (Pre-session filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to mandated training for Department of Human Services caseworkers.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Human Services shall, in consultation with the Department of Justice, develop and implement a training and continuing education curriculum for persons who are employed by the Department of Human Services as caseworkers that informs and instructs caseworkers about their roles in juvenile dependency proceedings for children and wards whose matters the caseworkers have responsibility for or for whom the caseworker provides services.

(2) The curriculum shall include instruction and materials presented by Department of Justice attorneys with expertise in juvenile dependency proceedings. The curriculum shall, in particular, address circumstances under which a caseworker may be engaging in the unlicensed practice of law and shall describe the parameters of the role that a caseworker may play in courtroom proceedings.

(3) The Department of Human Services shall require caseworkers to participate in continuing education at least once every four years that updates caseworkers on their roles in juvenile dependency proceedings.

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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