A-Engrossed House Joint Resolution 15

Ordered by the Senate May 17 Including Senate Amendments dated May 17

Sponsored by Representative MARSH, Senator TAYLOR; Representative FAHEY

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.

[Directs] Encourages state agencies to follow Childhood and Early Parenting Principles as framework for policies and programs for early parenting and early childhood development.

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JOINT RESOLUTION

2 Whereas the critical early years of life are the foundation that shapes a child's future physical 3 and mental health, with lifelong impacts not only for the child but for families, communities and 4 societies; and

5 Whereas far too many children across all nations do not have the start in life to which they are 6 entitled, especially when they live in poverty or face other forms of adversity, and evidence is clear 7 about how much this costs in social, health and economic terms; and

8 Whereas the seven Childhood and Early Parenting Principles (CEPPs) provide a framework for 9 achieving a transformative effect, breaking the persistent intergenerational cycles of poverty, ad-10 versity, disadvantage and violence seen in many areas of society today; and

11 Whereas the CEPPs align with the State of Oregon's multiyear early learning plan, which is set 12 forth in the Early Learning Council's 2019 "Raise Up Oregon" report; and

Whereas the first principle is to provide leadership for early parenting and early childhood development at local, regional and national government levels; and

15 Whereas the second principle is to promote partnerships between government, nongovernment 16 and civil society organizations; and

Whereas the third principle is to strive for universal access to early parenting and early childhood education and services while respecting cultural diversity and the voices of all persons; and

19 Whereas the fourth principle is to establish infrastructure and capacity for education and the 20 delivery of care; and

21 Whereas the fifth principle is to promote best practices in education and the delivery of care 22 for parents and professionals; and

Whereas the sixth principle is to adopt a multisector approach ensuring a continuum of care in the delivery of physical, emotional and mental health services and early childhood care; and

25 Whereas the seventh principle is to measure and publicly report on targets and achievements 26 in relation to early parenting and early childhood development; now, therefore,

27 Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:

28 That the agencies of the State of Oregon are encouraged to follow the Childhood and Early

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- 1 Parenting Principles as a framework for action and investment in strong, effective policies and
- 2 programs for early parenting and early childhood development.
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