

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

**SB 1566
Relating to children**

SB 1566 primarily changes provisions around requirements for and use of out-of-state congregate care settings for children in Oregon’s foster care system, which is administered by the Department of Human Services.

The bill requires DHS to license an out-of-state child-caring agency serving Oregon children; the agency is requesting a new Compliance Specialist 3 position to support this work. Another part of the bill allows DHS some short-term flexibility in handling reports of third party child abuse, which supports gradual program implementation and will mitigate some current biennium costs.

No amendments are recommended; budget adjustments related to this bill will be included in the omnibus budget bill for the 2020 session.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 1566 be reported out do pass.