

SB 54 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Sollman

House Committee On Education

Action Date: 05/25/21

Action: Do Pass.

Vote: 10-0-0-0

Yeas: 10 - Alonso Leon, Hudson, Neron, Owens, Reardon, Ruiz, Smith DB, Sollman, Weber, Wright

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 5/20, 5/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Changes "state advisory committee" to "state advisory group" in relation to membership for the Youth Development Council (Council). Repeals statute relating to the Deschutes County waiver required by the Council. Removes language regarding basic service grants and their uses and instead directs the Council to adopt related rules in consultation with county juvenile departments and the Oregon Youth Authority. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Role of Youth Development Council
- Need to align statutes with federal law and correct agency responsibilities
- Value of juvenile crime prevention programs
- Equity impact of programs

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

First enacted in 1974, the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) was reauthorized in December 2018. The JJDP requires each state to create a State Advisory Group that is principally responsible for monitoring and supporting a state's progress in addressing the core requirements of the JJDP. The Oregon Legislative Assembly established the Youth Development Council (YDC) in 2012 to assist the Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB) in the assessment and coordination of the state's investments in programs that help school age children and youth succeed and stay out of the juvenile justice system. The YDC assists with the development of education policy and supports community and school-based services and programs for youth ages 6 to 24 that focus on crime prevention, educational success, and reducing high-risk behavior.

Senate Bill 54 clarifies the Youth Development Council's role and modifies language to comport with federal requirements.