

# Senate Bill 54

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## 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 **as introduced**.

Updates terminology for Youth Development Council to match changes in federal law. Clarifies council's duties related to local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans. Removes waiver process for Deschutes County related to ages of youth served by council.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to the Youth Development Council; amending ORS 417.847 and 417.850; repealing ORS  
3 417.857; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 417.847 is amended to read:

6 417.847. (1) The Youth Development Council is established.

7 (2) The council is established for the purpose of coordinating a unified and aligned system that  
8 provides services to school-age children through youth 24 years of age in a manner that supports  
9 educational success, focuses on crime prevention, reduces high risk behaviors and is integrated,  
10 measurable and accountable. The council shall provide direction to the Youth Development Division.

11 (3) The council consists of no fewer than 15 members who are appointed by the Governor. The  
12 Governor shall ensure that membership of the council satisfies any federal requirements for mem-  
13 bership of a state advisory [*committee*] **group** on juvenile justice, and shall include tribal represen-  
14 tation in the membership of the council.

15 (4) The council shall:

16 (a) Determine the availability of funding to support community-based youth development pro-  
17 grams, services and initiatives with demonstrated outcomes and strategic objectives established by  
18 the council by rule.

19 (b) Prioritize funding for services related to:

20 (A) The prevention of and intervention in the risk factors that lead to juvenile delinquency and  
21 the promotion of protective factors that improve the health and well-being of children and youth,  
22 as supported by evidence-based program models and other research-based models; and

23 (B) The prevention of and intervention in gang violence and gang involvement.

24 (c) Administer and coordinate the statewide youth reengagement system described in ORS  
25 417.859.

26 (5) The council may:

27 (a) Enter into intergovernmental agreements with county and municipal governments, tribal  
28 governments, educational institutions and other governmental entities identified by rule of the  
29 council for the provision of youth development programs, services and initiatives.

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (b) Enter into grant agreements and contracts with community-based organizations, educational  
 2 institutions, regional entities and other entities identified by rule of the council for the provision  
 3 of youth development programs, services and initiatives.

4 (c) Determine the means by which services to children and youth may be provided effectively  
 5 and efficiently across multiple programs to improve the academic and social outcomes of children  
 6 and youth.

7 (d) Assess state programs and services related to youth development and training, and identify  
 8 methods by which programs and services may be coordinated or consolidated.

9 (e) Establish common academic and social indicators to support attainment of goals established  
 10 by the council.

11 (f) Establish common program outcome measurements and coordinate data collection across  
 12 multiple programs and services.

13 (g) Ensure implementation of best practices that:

14 (A) Are evidence based;

15 (B) Are culturally, gender and age appropriate;

16 (C) Address individual risk factors;

17 (D) Build upon factors that improve the health and well-being of children and youth; and

18 (E) Include tribal best practices.

19 (6) The Governor may designate one member of the council to serve as the chairperson or, if the  
 20 Governor chooses not to designate a chairperson, the council may elect one of its members to serve  
 21 as chairperson.

22 (7) In accordance with applicable provisions of ORS chapter 183, the council may adopt rules  
 23 necessary for the administration of the laws that the council is charged with administering.

24 **SECTION 2.** ORS 417.850 is amended to read:

25 417.850. The Youth Development Council established by ORS 417.847 shall:

26 (1) Review the budget and allocation formula for appropriations for the purpose of juvenile crime  
 27 prevention[;].

28 (2) Review the components of local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans developed under  
 29 ORS 417.855 and make recommendations to the Governor about the local plans[;].

30 (3) Ensure that high-risk juvenile crime prevention planning criteria are met by state and local  
 31 public and private entities[;].

32 (4) Recommend high-risk juvenile justice and juvenile crime prevention policies to the Governor  
 33 and the Legislative Assembly[;].

34 (5) Ensure initiation of contracts based on approved local high-risk juvenile crime prevention  
 35 plans and oversee contract changes[;].

36 (6) Review data and outcome information[;].

37 (7) Establish and publish review and assessment criteria for the local high-risk juvenile crime  
 38 prevention plans. The criteria shall include, but not be limited to, measuring changes in juvenile  
 39 crime and juvenile recidivism[;].

40 *[(8) Review and coordinate county youth diversion plans and basic services grants with the local*  
 41 *high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans. Basic services grants may be used for detention and other*  
 42 *juvenile department services including:]*

43 *[(a) Shelter care;]*

44 *[(b) Treatment services;]*

45 *[(c) Graduated sanctions; and]*

1        *[(d) Aftercare for youth offenders;]*

2        **(8) Review local high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans and ensure alignment of the**  
3 **plans with diversion plans and basic services grants of county juvenile departments. For**  
4 **purposes of this subsection, the council shall adopt rules in consultation with county juvenile**  
5 **departments and the Oregon Youth Authority.**

6        (9) Work to ensure broad-based citizen involvement in the planning and execution of high-risk  
7 juvenile crime prevention plans at both the state and local levels[;].

8        (10) Develop a funding policy that provides incentives for flexible programming and promotes  
9 strategies that stress reinvestment in youth[;].

10        (11) Periodically report to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly on the progress of the  
11 council[;].

12        (12) As required by the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, 34  
13 U.S.C. 11133 et seq., approve funding and policy recommendations of the state advisory group and  
14 adopt rules for overseeing approved funding and policy recommendations[; *and*].

15        (13) Work with tribal governments to develop tribal high-risk juvenile crime prevention plans.

16        **SECTION 3. ORS 417.857 is repealed.**

17        **SECTION 4. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
18 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect**  
19 **on its passage.**

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