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Title: [SB 92](#), OTIS: Confidentiality of Child Abuse Records

Concept:

ORS 419B.035 will be amended to extend the existing child abuse reports and records protections to reports and records compiled under ORS 418.257 to 418.259.

Need for policy change:

The Office of Training Investigations and Safety (OTIS) of the Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) is responsible for conducting child abuse investigations within Child-Caring Agencies (CCAs). [SB 1515 \(2016\)](#) provided young adults, ages 18 to 20 placed in CCAs with the same abuse protections as other children and defined a “child in care” to include certain young adults under 21 years of age.

Unfortunately, it did not mirror the confidentiality of record protections that exist for other child abuse investigations. [Senate Bill \(SB\) 92](#) seeks to compliment [SB 1515 \(2016\)](#) by extending the same confidentiality protections provided by ORS 419B.035 to these investigations.

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