

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **SB 1550**

#### **Relating to the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement**

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To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Human Services Subcommittee
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SB 1550 transfers the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement from the Office of the Governor to the Oregon Department of Human Services, including all employees, records, property, and unexpended revenues.

The Office was established in 2021, with the enactment of SB 778, to develop, maintain and oversee immigration and refugee programs and services, and to coordinate services to meet the needs of immigrant and refugee populations in Oregon. Its responsibilities also include the collection of data to track Oregon's progress in reducing social, economic, and health disparities for refugee and immigrant populations.

SB 1550 would authorize the transfer of four positions --which have not been filled since being established--and \$1,376,037 General Fund from the Office of the Governor to DHS. These budget adjustments will be included in the omnibus budget measure.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 1550 be reported out do pass.