HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2991

By COMMITTEE ON EARLY CHILDHOOD AND HUMAN SERVICES

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1 On page 2 of the printed bill, after line 2, insert:

2 "(c) The content of administrative rules adopted by the department under subsection (4) of this 3 section.

"(4) No later than December 31, 2024, the department shall adopt rules that address barriers that impede entry into the early childhood workforce by early childhood professionals. At a minimum, the rules must simplify and eliminate administrative inefficiencies that exist within the early childhood workforce registry by:

8 "(a) Establishing consistent standards for assessing the professional qualifications and academic 9 experience of early childhood professionals for purposes of determining the appropriate worker 10 classifications and pay rates for such professionals.

"(b) Streamlining the processes used to verify or accredit the out-of-state professional or academic credentials of an early childhood professional to determine whether those credentials count towards qualifications that are specific to the early childhood workforce in Oregon.

"(c) Providing a foreign language translation feature within the early childhood workforce registry for early childhood professionals to translate relevant documents free of charge.

"(d) Establishing standards and processes by which an early childhood professional may provide consent to a hiring agency to access the professional's workforce registry account to provide technical assistance to the professional.".

19 In line 3, delete "(4)" and insert "(5)".

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