

Senate Bill 548

Sponsored by Senator SOLLMAN, Representatives SCHARF, MORGAN; Senators DEMBROW, MANNING JR, Representatives DEXTER, GRAYBER, HARTMAN, HIEB, LEVY B, NOSSE, REYNOLDS (at the request of Project Never Again) (Pre-session filed.)

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**.

Directs Department of Human Services to maintain inventory of luggage carriers for use when transporting personal effects of foster children. Directs department to maintain record of each instance when trash bags are used to transport foster child's personal effects and explanation of use of trash bag. Directs department to submit annual reports regarding transportation of personal effects of foster children to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to human services.

Sunset January 2, 2029.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to transportation of foster child's personal effects.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Human Services shall procure, distribute and main-**
5 **tain an inventory of appropriate luggage carriers for child welfare case workers to use when**
6 **transporting the personal effects of a foster child, including when the foster child is entering**
7 **into or transitioning or exiting from foster care.**

8 **(2) The department shall maintain a record of all instances in which a trash bag was used**
9 **to transport a foster child's personal effects and provide a reasonable explanation for the**
10 **failure to use an appropriate luggage carrier.**

11 **(3) The department shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**
12 **may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative**
13 **Assembly related to human services no later than September 15 of each year. The report**
14 **must describe the number of instances in the preceding reporting period that trash bags**
15 **were used to transport a foster child's personal effects, the reasons for using the trash bags,**
16 **the department's supply of appropriate luggage carriers and its supply inventory manage-**
17 **ment practices.**

18 **SECTION 2. The report described in section 1 (3) of this 2023 Act is first due September**
19 **15, 2024.**

20 **SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2029.**

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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.