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Bill Title: Relating to children; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Health Authority, Department of Human Services

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2023-25 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Human Services	\$ 230,946	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,640	\$ 308,586	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 230,946	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,640	\$ 308,586	-	-

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Human Services	\$ 183,744	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,771	\$ 245,515	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 183,744	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61,771	\$ 245,515	-	-

Measure Description

HB 4086-4 replaces the introduced measure. The Department of Human Services (DHS) is directed to commission two studies, one on the scope of child abuse investigations in Oregon and the other on a response to children exhibiting problematic sexual behavior. Both studies require a facilitator who specializes in public policy and require a preliminary report be presented to the interim child welfare committees by September 30, 2024, and the final report is due by September 15, 2025. The measure directs DHS to establish an advisory committee for each study to assist the facilitators in their research and presentation. As amended the measure modifies required member representation.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure on DHS is \$230,946 General Fund and \$77,640 Federal Funds for the 2023-25 biennium and assumes 15 months of work. Costs decrease to \$183,744 General Fund and \$61,771 Federal Funds for the 2025-27 biennium to reflect a shortened work period of 12 months. The majority of costs are associated with contract costs for the two studies. Based on similar studies DHS has conducted in the past, contract costs are estimated to be \$190,842 General Fund and \$64,158 Federal Funds total for both studies for the 2023-25 biennium.

The measure requires an advisory committee comprised of at least 18 members for each study. While the measure is silent on reimbursement and compensation requirements for the advisory committees, it is assumed members will be reimbursed for necessary expenses and travel. The 2023-25 cost for committee reimbursement is \$40,104 General Fund and \$13,482 Federal Fund and assumes three in-person meetings per study.

The measure has no fiscal impact on the Oregon Health Authority.

Relevant Dates

The measure requires preliminary studies to be presented prior to September 30, 2024.

The measure requires the final report be delivered prior to September 15, 2024.

The study requirements and advisory committees are repealed on January 2, 2026.

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.