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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act sets up a center to teach people about their options when they need help making life decisions. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).
Establishes the Center for Decision-Making Supports.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to supported decision-making.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “supported**
5 **decision-making” means an individualized process of supporting and**
6 **accommodating an individual who is an adult with a disability to en-**
7 **able the individual to make life decisions without impeding the**
8 **individual’s self-determination.**

9 **(2) The Center for Decision-Making Supports is established in the**
10 **office of the Long Term Care Ombudsman.**

11 **(3) The primary functions of the center are:**

12 **(a) To develop a system by which accurate and easily understand-**
13 **able information regarding guardianship, supported decision-making**
14 **and other alternatives to guardianship may be made available to indi-**
15 **viduals who require supports or assistance and are exploring their**
16 **options;**

17 **(b) To serve as a one-stop educational resource for families of**
18 **adults with disabilities or children with disabilities who are transi-**
19 **tioning to adulthood, and adults with disabilities and their families**
20 **who are looking for specific information regarding youth transitioning**

1 to adulthood and independence, guardianships, supported decision-
2 making, health care directives, powers of attorney and other alterna-
3 tives to guardianships;

4 (c) To provide referrals to advocacy organizations, referrals for le-
5 gal assistance or other forms of technical assistance; and

6 (d) To enhance cross-agency collaboration on guardianship issues
7 to improve service delivery and support.

8 (4) The center shall inform the public about the center's services
9 and shall make the information described in this section available
10 online.

11 (5) The Long Term Care Ombudsman may adopt rules necessary to
12 implement the provisions of this section.

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