

SB 1013 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Early Childhood and Behavioral Health

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure appropriates \$5,000,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Justice for the 2025-2027 biennium to support the Liberty House.

Detailed Summary:

Provides funding for child advocacy center services at the Liberty House.

- Funds child abuse medical assessments.
- Funds forensic interviewing.
- Funds mental health services.
- Funds child abuse prevention education.

Fiscal impact: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue impact: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Children’s Advocacy Centers are nonprofit organizations that provide centralized services and assessments when alleged child sexual abuse, physical abuse, or neglect has taken place. The Liberty House is the Children’s Advocacy Center serving Marion and Polk Counties in Oregon. Between July 2023 and June 2024, Liberty House served 969 children who had experienced sexual or physical abuse, neglect, witness to violence, threat of harm, or drug endangerment ([Liberty House Annual Report](#), 2024).

Senate Bill 1013 appropriates \$5,000,000 from the General Fund for the 2025-2027 biennium to support the Liberty House’s provision of child advocacy center services.