

HB 3059 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to study the mental, emotional, behavioral health and educational needs of youth who are in one of three types of residential facilities. It outlines the requirements of the study and requires the two departments to convene an advisory committee. The measure allows the departments to contract out for the study and requires a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to education and human services by September 15, 2026. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

Fiscal impact: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

Revenue impact: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 The amendment narrows the definition of residential facility and removes the Department of Human Services from most requirements of the measure.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Human Services (DHS) licenses child-caring agencies in Oregon. Child-caring agencies include academic and therapeutic boarding schools, adoption and foster care agencies, day treatment and residential treatment agencies, youth shelters, outdoor youth programs and secure transportation services. According to DHS's [online list of licensed child-caring agencies](#), there are currently 32 child-caring agencies licensed to provide residential care in Oregon.

The three types of residential facilities covered by this measure are qualified residential treatment programs, residential training homes, and developmental disability child foster homes:

- The Family First Prevention Services Act created a new type of care setting called a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP). In Oregon, [Senate Bill 171 \(2019\)](#) requires that residential placements occur in a QRTP setting, or in other approved specialized care settings in specific circumstances.
- Residential training homes provide training and supports in homes in the community. Services are provided for children under the age of 18 with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities who require 24-hour support, supervision and training. Programs provide an array of services for one to five children per home.
- Developmental disability child foster homes are for children from birth to age 18 with intellectual or developmental disabilities (CFH-IDD). The range of support is widely varied, and individual plans are developed to address the specific needs of the children in care. Child Foster Homes are single-family residences that offer 24-hour care in a home-like setting for four to seven children.