

HB 3059 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

Action Date: 04/09/25

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.
(Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 7-0-1-0

Yeas: 7 - Dobson, Harbick, Hudson, McIntire, Neron, Ruiz, Wright

Exc: 1 - Nguyen H

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/2, 4/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to study the mental, emotional, behavioral health, and educational needs of youth who are in residential training homes. It outlines the requirements of the study and requires ODE to convene an advisory committee. The measure allows ODE 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.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Needs of children in residential facilities
- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

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.

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.