

House Bill 3059

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Directs DHS and ODE to jointly study the needs of youth who are in a residential facility and who attend a public school in this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).

Requires the Department of Human Services and the Department of Education to jointly study the needs of youth who are in a residential facility and who attend a public school in this state. Directs the departments to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to human services and education no later than September 15, 2026.

Sunset on January 2, 2027.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to the education of youth in residential facilities; and declaring an emergency.

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

3 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "residential facility" means:**

4 **(a) A child-caring agency, as defined in ORS 418.205, that is a qualified residential treat-**
5 **ment program described in ORS 418.323 and that provides residential care and treatment to**
6 **a child, as defined in ORS 418.205;**

7 **(b) A residential training home or a residential training facility, as those terms are de-**
8 **fin ed in ORS 443.400; or**

9 **(c) A developmental disability child foster home, as defined in ORS 443.830.**

10 **(2) The Department of Human Services and the Department of Education shall jointly**
11 **study the mental, emotional, behavioral health and educational needs of youth who are in a**
12 **residential facility and who attend a public school in this state for any grade from**
13 **kindergarten through grade 12.**

14 **(3) The study conducted under this section must:**

15 **(a) Identify gaps in funding that is intended to cover the costs of mandated programs or**
16 **services for human services and for education and that is provided to human services agen-**
17 **cies, school districts and education service districts for youth in residential facilities who**
18 **attend public school;**

19 **(b) Identify gaps in available services and supports for youth in residential facilities who**
20 **attend public school;**

21 **(c) Identify gaps in information that is related to youth in residential facilities who at-**
22 **tend public school and that is shared between:**

23 **(A) Students;**

24 **(B) Parents and guardians;**

25 **(C) Residential facility providers and their staff; and**

26 **(D) School districts and education service districts and their staff;**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (d) Identify best practices for providing educational and wraparound services and sup-
2 ports for youth in residential facilities who attend public school; and

3 (e) Respond to other requests for information or questions identified by the departments
4 or by the advisory committee established under subsection (4) of this section.

5 (4) For the purpose of conducting the study under this section, the departments jointly
6 must convene an advisory committee consisting of 13 members. The advisory committee
7 must include:

8 (a) At least one member who is a representative of school districts;

9 (b) At least one member who is a representative of education service districts;

10 (c) At least one member who is licensed as an administrator by the Teacher Standards
11 and Practices Commission;

12 (d) At least one member who is licensed as a teacher by the Teacher Standards and
13 Practices Commission;

14 (e) At least one member who is a classified school employee;

15 (f) At least one member who represents residential facility providers;

16 (g) At least two members who are representatives of organizations that represent the
17 interests of students with disabilities and their families;

18 (h) At least one member who is a representative of staff who are licensed, certified or
19 endorsed to provide services to youth in a residential facility setting; and

20 (i) Other members who have experience or expertise in working with youth who reside
21 in a residential facility and who attend a public school in this state.

22 (5) When conducting the study under this section:

23 (a) The departments may enter into a contract with a public or private entity to conduct
24 the study.

25 (b) The departments, or the entity with which a contract is entered into to conduct the
26 study, must consult with the advisory committee established under subsection (4) of this
27 section.

28 (6) The departments shall jointly submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245,
29 and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legisla-
30 tive Assembly related to education and to human services no later than September 15, 2026.

31 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.

32 **SECTION 3.** This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
33 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect
34 on its passage.

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