

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 1065**

Ordered by the Senate April 10  
Including Senate Amendments dated April 10

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

**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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

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 decision-making" means an individ-**  
5 **ualized process of supporting and accommodating an individual who is an adult with a disa-**  
6 **bility to enable the individual to make life decisions without impeding the individual's**  
7 **self-determination. An individual's supporter is not a decision maker and does not have the**  
8 **authority to make decisions or act on behalf of the individual.**

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

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

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

16 **(b) To serve as a one-stop educational resource for families of adults with disabilities or**  
17 **children with disabilities who are transitioning to adulthood, and adults with disabilities and**  
18 **their families who are looking for specific information regarding youth transitioning to**  
19 **adulthood and independence, guardianships, supported decision-making, health care direc-**  
20 **tives, powers of attorney and other alternatives to guardianships;**

21 **(c) To provide referrals to advocacy organizations, referrals for legal assistance or other**  
22 **forms of technical assistance; and**

23 **(d) To enhance cross-agency collaboration on guardianship issues to improve service de-**  
24 **livery and support.**

25 **(4) The center shall inform the public about the center's services and shall make the in-**  
26 **formation described in this section available online.**

27 **(5) The Long Term Care Ombudsman may adopt rules necessary to implement the pro-**  
28 **visions of this section.**

**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.

