

Senate Bill 1065

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 **as introduced**. 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.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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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.