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To: Senate Committee on Human Services From: Heather Busby, Executive Director

Re: SB 1016

Dear Chair Gelser-Blouin, Vice-Chair Linthicum, Members of the Committee:

Youth, Rights & Justice (YRJ), a non-profit public defense provider, has been dedicated exclusively to juvenile law for 50 years. Each year, we provide holistic, client-centered representation to hundreds of children, youth, and parents in Oregon's juvenile court system.

YRJ Supports Senate Bill 1016.

Oregon's foster children deserve the dignity and respect of having their personal belongings transported in the appropriate luggage. We support the prohibition of using trash bags to transport a child's belongings.

We urge the committee to support SB 1016.

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue.