

HB 4068 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Edwards

House Committee On Behavioral Health

Action Date: 02/05/26

Action: Do Pass.

Vote: 5-0-3-0

Yea: 5 - Edwards, Javadi, Nosse, Pham H, Valderrama

Exc: 3 - Harbick, Isadore, Mannix

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

Prepared By: Brian Niebuurt, LPRO Analyst

Meeting Dates: 2/3, 2/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure modifies the definition of “transition aged youth residential treatment home” to include young adults between the ages of 17 (instead of 17.5) and 25.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- House Bill 2015 (2025) and current residential placement practices

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

During the 2025 session, the legislature passed House Bill 2015, directing the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to investigate and consider specified flexibilities for administering residential treatment services. This included establishing a separate licensing process for transition aged youth residential treatment homes, which were defined by the measure as being for young adults between the ages of 17.5 and 25. Prior to the passage of HB 2015, age 17 was the standard age for admission into such homes. House Bill 4068 modifies the definition to include young adults between the ages of 17 and 25, aligning the law with standard practice.