House Bill 2956

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SUMMARY

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Directs Early Learning Council to conduct evaluation of Early Learning Hubs and submit report on evaluation each odd-numbered year. Requires additional evaluation and report in 2018. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

1	A BILL FOR AN ACT
2	Relating to evaluations of Early Learning Hubs; creating new provisions; amending section 2,
3	chapter 773, Oregon Laws 2015; and declaring an emergency.
4	Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
5	SECTION 1. Section 2, chapter 773, Oregon Laws 2015, is amended to read:
6	Sec. 2. (1) Each biennium, the Early Learning Council shall conduct an evaluation of Early
7	Learning Hubs that assesses the efficacy of the Early Learning Hubs with respect to:
8	(a) Creating an aligned, coordinated and family-centered system of early learning services;
9	(b) Increasing coordination and collaboration among entities involved in, and providers of ser-
10	vices related to, early learning services, education and health and human services;
11	(c) Increasing focus on outcomes; and
12	(d) Improving outcomes, including but not limited to outcomes associated with school readiness,
13	for populations defined by statute or rule as being at-risk.
14	(2) [The] An evaluation performed under subsection (1) of this section must also assess, with
15	respect to Early Learning Hubs:
16	(a) Governance structure;
17	(b) Funding mechanisms and metrics for providing funding; and
18	(c) Compilation and use of data.
19	(3) The council may contract with a third party to perform [the] an evaluation required by this
20	section.
21	(4) No later than [February 1, 2019] March 15 of each odd-numbered year, the council shall
22	submit a report to the interim legislative committees on education and early learning regarding the
23	findings and recommendations made as a result of [the] an evaluation performed under this section.
24	The report shall include any recommendations for legislative changes based upon the findings and
25	recommendations made as a result of the evaluation.
26	SECTION 2. The Early Learning Council shall conduct an evaluation and submit a report
27	as described in section 2, chapter 773, Oregon Laws 2015, no later than March 15, 2018. The
28	evaluation and report required by this section are in addition to any evaluations and reports
29	required each odd-numbered year as required by section 2, chapter 773, Oregon Laws 2015.
30	SECTION 3. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
31	peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect

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