Senate Bill 97

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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**.

Requires reinstatement of home and community-based services for child of military service member upon child's return to state after temporary absence due to parent's military obligation.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to services provided to a military service member's child who has a disability.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) As used in this section:

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5 (a) "Agency administering the services" means the Department of Human Services, the

6 Oregon Health Authority or an entity that contracts with the department or the authority

7 to determine eligibility for home and community-based services.

- 8 (b) "Child" means an individual under 18 years of age who is the biological child, adopted
 9 child or stepchild of a resident service member.
- 10 (c) "Home and community-based services" or "services" includes:
- (A) Home and community-based services described in section 1915(c), (i) and (k) of the
 Social Security Act;
- 13 (B) Family support services described in ORS 417.342 and 417.344;

14 (C) Developmental disability services described in ORS 430.215; and

15 (D) The Medically Involved Home-Care Program created in ORS 417.345.

(d) "Military service" means service in the Armed Forces of the United States, as defined
 in ORS 341.496.

(e) "Resident" means an individual who resides in Oregon or who maintains Oregon as
the individual's permanent home while absent due to military obligations outside of the state.
(f) "Service member" means an individual who is in the military service or who has separated from military service in the previous 18 months through retirement, discharge or
other separation.

(2) A child who was previously found eligible for home and community-based services and who returns to this state after a temporary absence due to the parent's military obligation outside of the state shall, upon request and until an assessment is conducted by the agency administering the services, be provided the home and community-based services that the child was receiving when the child left the state.

(3) Once the assessment is conducted, the agency administering the services shall de velop a new individual support plan describing the services and supports that will be provided
 to the child.

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(4) If the eligibility requirements for the home and community-based services that the
child was receiving when the child left the state have changed during the child's temporary
absence, the child shall remain eligible for the services after the child's return until a new
eligibility determination is made.
(5) To qualify for an immediate reinstatement of home and community-based services
under subsection (2) of this section, the agency administering the services may require the

7 child's parent to periodically report the parent's location during the temporary absence.

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