



GO! BULLETIN



Another Bill Deadline Happens This Week

Legislators are scrambling to work bills and get them out of committees before the **April 18th** deadline! Bills that have not passed out of committee in their "chamber of origin" (meaning House bills that started in the House or Senate bills that started in the Senate) by April 18th will "die" in committee. Expect things around the Capitol to be tense and fast-paced the first two days of this next week as legislators deal with packed agendas at committee hearings and as they try to ensure bills they're sponsoring continue to move along in the legislative process.

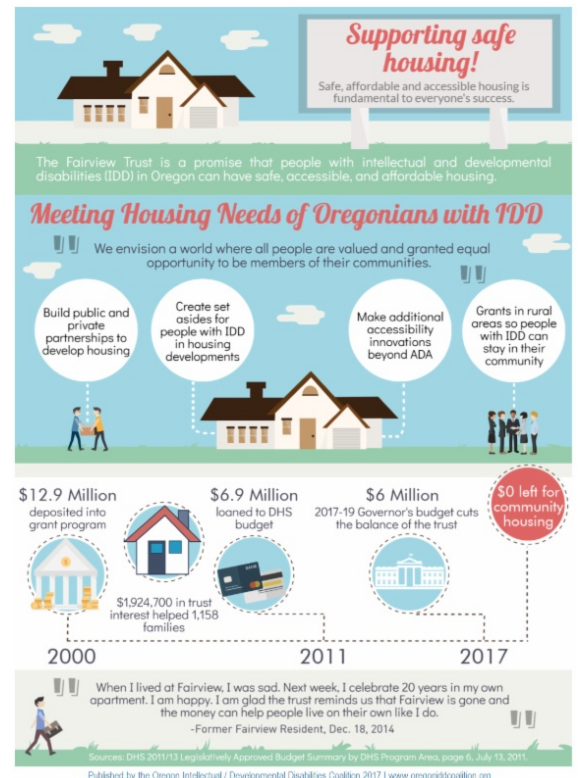
Note: This deadline does not apply to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, other joint committees, the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue, House Committee on Revenue, and the Senate and House Committees on Rules. Bills that are assigned to these committees can be acted on until the end of the session.

Prepare Now for the Next DD Advocacy Day at the

Help Us Save the Fairview Housing Trust Fund

When the State sold the Fairview Institution property it established the Fairview Housing Trust and made a promise to all Oregonians with I/DD and their families that resources for accessible and safe community housing would be available for the generations to follow.

Interest from the \$12.9 million Trust was used for more than 1,000 renovation projects to make homes more accessible. Then in 2011, \$6.9 million was transferred to the State's General Fund as a short-term loan to supplement the DHS Budget.



Now, the remainder of the \$6 million trust fund may be taken to fill a budget gap. If this happens, the promise made almost two decades ago to those once confined to an institution will be broken and the Fairview Trust Fund for community housing will be gone.

Learn more about this important topic by accessing the NEW Fairview Trust Fund Fact Sheet:

<https://oregoniddcoalitiondotorg.files.wordpress.com/2016/02/17-0330-fairview-trust-fact-sheet.pdf>

We hope you will join us on **May 1st** anytime between 10AM and 2PM to advocate for this and other important issues impacting Oregonians with I/DD and their families. The GO! Project Advocacy Team will once again be in Room 257 of the Capitol Building to provide information, training and support for your visits. Check in at the DD Advocacy Headquarters before and after your visits.

We urge you to contact your legislators now to schedule an appointment for **May 1st** and join us for a fun day of advocacy. Please wear something yellow to show support for developmental disability advocacy.

To find out who your State Representative and State Senator are, use this link: www.oregonlegislature.gov/findyourlegislator/leg-districts.html

Policy Bills and Hearings of Interest This Week:

Committee agendas are jam packed with bills this week as legislators try to hold work sessions to move their highest priority bills along in the legislative process. Below are some of the higher priority bills we are tracking with hearings coming up this week. You can view the current Coalition Priority Bills Report by using the following link to stay updated:

<https://oregoniddcoalitiondotorg.files.wordpress.com/2016/02/20170416-idd-coalition-priority-1-and-2-bill-report.pdf>

April 17th - Monday

1:00 PM / HR E: House Committee on Business and Labor -

- Work session on **HB 2193** (requires employer to pay employee equivalent of at least four hours of work if employee is scheduled or called in to work but, due to employer, does not work entire shift).

1:00 PM / HR D: Senate Committee on Human Services -

- Work session on **SB 263** (limits school district's ability to require students to participate in abbreviated school day program).
- Work session on **SB 268** (requires Department of Human Services and law enforcement agencies to investigate reports of abuse that occurred at school or in educational setting or that are made by school employees).
- Work session on **SB 944** (study and report to Legislature on effectiveness of specified program approaches in providing access to mental health and addiction services for seniors and persons with disabilities).

1:00 PM / HR 343: House Committee on Judiciary -

- Public hearing and work session on **HB 3266** (relating to use of mechanical restraint by police in school setting).

3:00 PM / HR F: House Committee on Education -

- Work session on **HB 3318** (establishes procedures for conducting functional behavioral analysis and for developing, reviewing and revising behavior intervention plans for students with individualized education programs or 504 Plans.).
- Work session on **HB 3208** (prohibits Legislative Assembly from enacting certain legislation related to education).
- Public hearing and work session on **HB 3412** (relating to assessments for children with difficulties hearing).
- Work session on **HB 3395** (relating to services provided by school counselors).
- Work session on **HB 2246** (establishes Task Force on the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Act).
- Work session on **HB 2845** (directs Department of Education to convene advisory group to develop statewide ethnic studies standards for adoption into existing statewide social studies standards for public kindergarten through grade 12).

3:00 PM / HR A: Senate Committee on Workforce -

- Work session on **SB 828** (requires employer to pay employee equivalent of at least four hours of work if employee is scheduled or called in to work but, due to employer, does not work entire shift).

3:00 PM / HR E: House Committee on Health Care -

- Work session on **HB 2839** (prohibits discrimination in organ transplantation).
- Work session on **HB 2391** (requires Oregon Health Authority to submit blueprint for basic health plan to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services by December 31, 2017).
- Work session on **HB 2392** (modifies requirements for health benefit plan coverage of hearing loss treatments).
- Work session on **HB 3091** (specified facilities to provide certain case management and behavioral health services to individual who presents at facility experiencing behavioral health crisis).
- Work session on **HB 3415** (mental health treatment providers and programs must ensure culturally and linguistically appropriate care for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing).

April 18th - Tuesday

8:00 AM / HR E: House Committee on Human Services and Housing -

- Work session on **HB 2684** (establishes minimum hourly wage rate of \$15 per hour for employees who provide direct care to residents of residential training facility or residential training home).
- Work session on **HB 2170** (establishes Office of Oregon Ombudsmen, containing Long Term Care Ombudsman, Residential Facilities Ombudsman, Foster Parent Ombudsman, Foster Child Ombudsman and Oregon Public Guardian and Conservator).

8:00 AM / HR 343: Senate Committee on Judiciary -

- Work session on **SB 57** (relating to the Oregon Public Guardian and Conservator).
- Work session on **SB 503** (directs Judicial Department to establish uniform visitor policies).
- Work session on **SB 101A** (authorizes child abuse investigation on school premises).

1:00 PM / HR B: Senate Committee on Health Care -

- Work session on **SB 808** (relating to health screening testing for newborns).

1:00 PM / HR D: House Committee on Early Childhood and Family Supports -

- Work session on **HB 2957** (establishes grant program for purpose of improving kindergarten student-to-teacher ratios in schools that are considered high poverty).

3:00 PM / HR C: Senate Committee on Education -

- Work session on **SB 353** (establishes Task Force on the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Act).
- Work session on **SB 20** (updates references to federal education law to reflect passage of Every Student Succeeds Act).

April 19th - Wednesday

1:00 PM / HR D: Senate Committee on Human Services -

- Public hearing on HB 2216A (adopt rules to establish Oregon Foster Children's Sibling Bill of Rights).
- Public hearing on HJM 4 (urges Congress to pass RAISE Family Caregivers Act).

3:00 PM / HR C: House Committee on Education -

- Public hearing and possible work session on SJR 6 (communicate to school districts information regarding backpack safety).

April 20th - Thursday

1:00 PM / HR B: Senate Committee on Health Care -

- Public hearing on SB 1046 (relating to statewide health care coverage-Health Care for All Oregon).

Interested in tracking bills and hearings?

- Use the Oregon Legislature's [Capitol e-Subscribe](#) service to receive bill alerts for individual bills as they move through the legislative process, receive committee agendas, news from members of the legislative body and more.
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