JUVENILE CODE REVISION: Reference Corrections

REPORT
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I. Introductory Summary

Oregon Laws 2001, chapter 624, created a new section, codified at ORS 419B.116, setting forth the standards for allowing intervention in juvenile court proceedings. ORS 419B.116(8) provides that any order granting intervention or limited participation rights may be modified according to three repealed sections: ORS 419B.420, 419B.423, and 419B.426. ORS 419B.923 now governs modification of juvenile court orders and judgments and should be substituted for the aforementioned repealed sections.

Oregon Laws 2001, chapter 360, created a new section, codified at ORS 419B.389, and provides that a parent may seek relief under ORS 419B.420 when the parent is unable due to financial, health or other problems, to comply with an order of the court. ORS 419B.420 was repealed and ORS 419B.923 now contains procedures for modifying juvenile court orders; ORS 419B.923 should be substituted for ORS 419B.420.

2. History of the Project

This project was suggested by Legislative Counsel at the January 18, 2002 meeting of the Juvenile Code Revision Work Group and referred to the Sub-Work Group reviewing the Oregon Juvenile Court Dependency Procedure sections enacted by the 2001 legislature. Ted Meece, Chair of the Continuing HB 2611 Sub-Work of the Oregon Law Commission’s Juvenile Code Revision Work Group, carried this project through at the request of Sen. Kate Brown. This legislation has the endorsement of the Juvenile Code Revision Work Group, chaired by Sen. Brown, which is composed of some fifty members.

3. Statement of the Problem Area

This proposal is a housekeeping amendment.

4. Objective of the Proposal

There were no dissenters to this proposed housekeeping legislation. It is intended to be entirely uncontentroversial as it is intends to only clarify and correct ORS references.