

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Kruse, Metsger, Morse, Westlund, Walker
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	5/8

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Exempts the Department of Education (DOE) from provisions of Department of Administration Procurement Code when procuring goods, services, and information technology related to student assessment. Declares an emergency; effective upon passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Conflict with previous assessment provider
- Value of DOE procurement contracts
- Competitive bidding requirements

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The Department of Administrative Services is the designated procurement agent for Oregon's state agencies. Under current law many state agencies are authorized to exercise specific procurement authority in areas where the agency possesses particular expertise. HB 2264-A adds the Department of Education (DOE) to the list of agencies who may exercise procurement authority. The DOE's procurement must relate to student assessment, and is subject to existing laws regarding Oregon student assessment and the federal No Child Left Behind Act.