

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	8 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Dallum, Greenlick, Komp, Krummel, Lim, Roblan, Whisnant, Buckley
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Clem
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Meeting Dates:	5/02, 5/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows school districts to admit students up to the age of 21 years. Defines “person in a parental relationship” for determining school district residency. Declares an emergency; effective July 1, 2007.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for definition of “person in a parental relationship”
- Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) eligibility guidelines
- Education for person between age 19-21 who has not received a high school diploma
- Variance in local school district application of statutes and need for clarification

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: A “person in a parental relationship” for purposes of school district residency has not previously been defined. Districts interpret it in different ways and some rely only on the defined terms “parents” and “guardians” in determining residency. Similarly, districts inconsistently interpret the provision requiring that education be provided to students up to 21 years of age if they have not earned a diploma. SB 215-A clarifies that districts may provide education to those students but are not required to provide education to those students.

The Senate Education and General Government Committee gave SB 215-A a Do Pass as Amended recommendation with a 4-0-1 vote, and it passed the Senate 24-0-1-5.