

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Bonamici, Kruse, Metsger, Morse, Hass
<b>Nays:</b>	0
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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Permits Department of Education to make available to school districts and public charter schools an assessment system that uses criterion-referenced assessments including performance-based assessments and content-based assessments for specified purposes. Specifies that assessment system may be used to provide predictions of student progress that are not based on student's current grade level. Includes providing each student an education experience that supports growth beyond proficiency as a characteristic of the public school system. Declares an emergency; effective upon passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Current assessment
- Purpose of the measure
- Fiscal impact

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

**BACKGROUND:** House Bill 2263 (2007) added the terms criterion-referenced assessments, performance-based assessments, and content-based assessments to the statute requiring a statewide assessment system. The terms were added in reference to a direction for the Department of Education to contract with a nonprofit entity to administer a nationally-normed assessment to all students in grade 10 for the purpose of predicting success on college entrance exams. Current law neither precludes nor permits predictive assessments.