

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote: 3 - 1 - 1
Yeas: Hass, Prozanski, Dingfelder
Nays: Boquist
Exc.: Atkinson
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Meeting Dates: 5/19, 5/26

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires all school buses with diesel engines to either be retrofitted with 2007 equivalent engines and fine particulate matter capture technology by January 1, 2017 or replaced with school buses manufactured on or after January 1, 2007 by January 1, 2025. Prohibits replaced buses from being used for any type of transportation.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Timeframe for replacing and retrofitting buses
- Act applies to private and public schools
- Health effects of exposure to particulate matter in diesel exhaust

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Many school districts in Oregon are retrofitting or replacing their school bus fleets. Despite this progress, there are still many school buses in Oregon that need to be retrofitted or replaced. House Bill 2795A establishes a uniform timeline for school bus replacements and retrofits.