

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Rescind the Subsequent Referral to the Committee on Ways & Means

**Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

**Yeas:** Bonamici, Kruse, Metsger, Morse, Hass

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/11, 4/8

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Directs the Department of Education to establish a pilot program to encourage school districts to provide supplemental summer instruction to improve student achievement. Permits the department to encourage school districts to provide supplemental instruction and establish a process for school districts to notify the department of willingness to participate in the pilot program. Permits school district to seek specified funds to offer supplemental summer instruction. Requires department to report on pilot program no later than October 1, 2010. Sunsets January 2, 2012. Declares emergency; effective July 1, 2009.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Research from other countries
- Use of funds for early childhood education
- Lengthening school days and the school year
- Cost of lengthening days
- Impact on extra-curricular activities
- Current rules on adding days

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces the measure but for the emergency clause.

**BACKGROUND:** By rule, Oregon schools are required to offer a minimum number of instructional hours: 405 hours for kindergarten, 810 hours in grades 1-3, 900 hours in grades 4-8, and 990 hours in grades 9-12. Additionally, there is a requirement that there be no fewer than 265 consecutive calendar days between the first and last instructional day of each school year at each grade level. Some school districts set attendance requirements above the mandated minimum. School districts typically require instructional time somewhere between the required minimum and about 1,200 hours of instruction per year.