

**2009 Regular Legislative Session**  
**FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**  
**Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office**

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**MEASURE NUMBER:** HB 2693                      **STATUS:** A-Engrossed  
**SUBJECT:** Ratio of nursing personnel to students in school districts; analysis and report by the Department of Education; appropriation of money to the Department of Education  
**GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED:** Department of Education, Local Education Agencies  
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	<u>2009-2011</u>	<u>2011-2013</u>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b> See Comments.		

**REVENUES:**  
See Comments.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2009.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE:** This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**COMMENTS:** The bill requires a school district to ensure that it has a specified ratio of nursing personnel to students and requires the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to submit an annual report to the State Board of Education and the interim legislative committees related to education on the number of nurses and medically fragile and nursing-dependent students in each district by October 1 of each year. The measure allows a school district to use the most cost-effective means available to fulfill the requirements to provide access to a sufficient level of nursing services.

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Education to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means. The bill appropriates funds to ODE for the 2009-11 biennium in an undetermined amount to conduct an analysis of the delivery of school nursing services to schools and make recommendations on the most cost-effective models of delivery and to be used to help school districts to comply with the requirements that they must be able to provide nursing services to students at specified ratios. The Department of Education (ODE) indicates that the bill will have a fiscal impact on its staff to collect, prepare, and report the information required by the bill. Costs to school districts to comply with the established nurse to student ratios are unknown.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.