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House Bill 3626

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Education to establish pilot program for purpose of providing comprehensive vision screenings to students.

Sunsets June 30, 2011.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to vision screenings; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "comprehensive vision screening" means an eye**
5 **screening test for near visual acuity, distance visual acuity, hyperopia, depth fusion, near**
6 **point of convergence, tracking and vertical imbalance.**

7 **(2)(a) The Department of Education shall establish a pilot program that is operated in**
8 **three school districts in this state for the purpose of providing comprehensive vision**
9 **screenings to students in those districts.**

10 **(b) The school districts participating in the pilot program must be of different sizes and**
11 **geographic locations.**

12 **(c) The department may enter into a contract with a public or private entity to imple-**
13 **ment the pilot program.**

14 **(3) The department must ensure that at least 10,000 students in grades 1 through 8 from**
15 **the school districts participating in the pilot program receive a comprehensive vision**
16 **screening prior to January 1, 2011.**

17 **(4) Nothing in this section requires a student to participate in a comprehensive vision**
18 **screening if the parent or guardian of the student provides a statement that the compre-**
19 **hensive vision screening is contrary to the religious beliefs of the student or of the parent**
20 **or guardian of the student.**

21 **(5) The department may accept contributions of funds and assistance from the United**
22 **States Government and its agencies or from any other source, public or private, and agree**
23 **to conditions placed on the funds that are not inconsistent with the purposes of this section.**

24 **(6) All funds received by the department for the pilot program shall be paid into the De-**
25 **partment of Education Account established by ORS 326.115 to the credit of the pilot program.**

26 **(7) Not later than March 1, 2011, the department shall report the results of the pilot**
27 **program to the Seventy-sixth Legislative Assembly, including:**

28 **(a) The number of students who received a comprehensive vision screening;**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **(b) The number of students who were identified as requiring vision correction or treat-**
2 **ment as a result of the comprehensive vision screening, and the types of vision correction**
3 **and treatment required;**

4 **(c) The number of students identified as requiring vision correction or treatment who**
5 **received vision correction or treatment;**

6 **(d) The estimated cost per student for the students who received a comprehensive vision**
7 **screening; and**

8 **(e) Recommendations for how to fund and implement statewide a program that provides**
9 **students with a comprehensive vision screening.**

10 **SECTION 2.** **Section 1 of this 2010 Act is repealed on June 30, 2011.**

11 **SECTION 3.** **This 2010 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
12 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2010 Act takes effect**
13 **on its passage.**

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