

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Education
Vote:	8 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Cameron, Clem, Conger, Matthews, Sheehan, Smith J., Holvey, Whisnant
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Jan Nordlund, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/15

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Expands the scope of audits of business practices of school districts and education service districts to include performance audits. Removes provision that allowed audits of only those districts that volunteered to be audited. Allows the State Board of Education to determine by rule how the audit expense will be shared between the Department of Education and the district. Allows the Secretary of State to conduct audits business practices of districts without a contract with the department.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Referral to the House Committee on Education

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: A performance audit, as defined in ORS 297.070, includes determining whether an entity is acquiring, protecting, and using its resources economically and efficiently; identifying causes of inefficiencies or uneconomical practices; and determining whether the entity has complied with laws and regulations concerning matters of economy and efficiency.