

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	6 - 2 - 0
Yeas:	Dembrow, Frederick, Huffman, Parrish, Gelser, Wingard
Nays:	Conger, Komp
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	3/7, 4/11, 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows district school boards to adopt policies, with specified requirements, for the use of alcoholic beverages in culinary arts classes. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- High school culinary arts programs in Oregon
- Culinary arts scholarship competitions
- Oregon schools disadvantaged by current prohibition on use of alcohol
- Alcohol to be provided in pre-measured amounts
- No tasting of unincorporated alcohol involved
- Secure storage requirements
- OLCC concerns addressed by amendments

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Adds language specifying use in culinary arts class and declares an emergency.

BACKGROUND: Current law prohibits providing alcoholic beverages to individuals under the age of 21 with the exception that parents or guardians may do so in a private residence. House Bill 2750-A adds the exception for participants in culinary arts classes. The measure establishes that school districts may adopt policies that specify circumstances under which alcohol may be used, require adult supervision, secure storage and parental permission for student participation. Students whose parents do not consent are to be provided with an alternate project.