

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Imposes additional restrictions on foreign exchange students qualifications to be considered residents of school districts. Removes sunset on allowances for specified foreign exchange students to be considered residents of school districts. Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2011.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Economic benefit to rural school districts
- Educational benefit to both exchange students and local students
- Current renewal provisions

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: ORS 339.133 establishes that children between the ages of 4 and 18 are considered residents of the school district in which their parents or guardians reside and specifies several exceptions. Five rural Oregon school districts currently house a total of forty-six students in dormitories. House Bill 3359 adds the exception that foreign exchange students residing in a school dormitory are considered residents of the school district in which the dormitory is located, if they meet specified criteria. This legislation allows the districts to include these students in the calculations that determine state school fund distributions.

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