

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued
FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Revenue by prior reference
Vote: 6 - 2 - 0
Yeas: Conger, Dembrow, Frederick, Huffman, Parrish, Wingard
Nays: Komp, Gelser
Exc.: 0
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Meeting Dates: 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Prevents inclusion of specified funds received for provision of career and technical education (CTE) from calculations made to distribute state funds to school districts, education service districts, community college districts and community college service districts. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2011.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Codification of current funding practices
- No existing challenges
- Incentives for private investment in CTE programs

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Several legislative initiatives are currently underway to revitalize CTE programs in Oregon. Some of these initiatives involve public/private partnerships and the identification of both public and private funding sources.

House Bill 3554 stipulates that funds received for the purpose of providing career and technical education programs cannot be included in school funding distribution formulas. Proponents assert the measure will codify current practice, clarify legislative intent, and encourage private investment in CTE programs.