76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Rules

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass **Vote:** 5 - 2 - 1

Yeas: Berger, Garrett, Holvey, Wingard, Olson

Navs: Barnhart, Freeman

Exc.: Hunt

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Meeting Dates: 5/9, 5/18

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Removes out-dated evaluations, reports, reporting requirements, filings, preparation and distribution of education laws, policies, curriculum requirements, assessments, certifications and additional mandates from education statutes.

MEASURE: SB 800

CARRIER: Rep. Wingard

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Unnecessary and duplicative mandates on education providers
- Interim work group process
- Consensus proposals
- Potential savings to Department of Education and local school districts
- Fiscal impact of proposed amendments

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Superintendent of Public Instruction Susan Castillo challenged Oregon Department of Education (ODE) staff to identify unnecessary, outdated and redundant mandates. ODE staff cooperated with the Confederation of School Administrators, Oregon School Boards Association, Oregon Association of Education Service Districts, Oregon Education Association, school superintendents and administrators to identify 28 mandates that no longer serve a purpose. Education statute mandates proposed for deletion in Senate Bill 800 range from eliminating duplicate reports on race and ethnic characteristics to removing an Irish Potato Famine teaching requirement and incorporates recommended methods to streamline the education system, eliminate unnecessary costs, and reduce staff workload.