

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Bonamici, George, Morse, Shields, Hass
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	4/7

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Establishes Regional Education Services Advisory Board to perform duties related to Office of Regional Education Services. Establishes Office of Regional Education Services for purpose of coordinating efforts and providing leadership for regional educational service delivery systems. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2011.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Education service districts (ESDs) operational and delivery system efficiency
- State ESD governance and leadership void
- ESD policy and funding changes
- Administration and reporting structures

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Education service districts, created under ORS 334.010, provide regional educational services to component school districts. Oregon has twenty ESDs that provide services such as special education, transportation and technology to school districts. Currently, there is no statewide governance or leadership over Oregon's twenty ESDs. Each fiscal year the Superintendent of Public Instruction calculates a State School Fund grant for ESDs. Senate Bill 959 establishes a Regional Education Service Advisory Board for the purposes of coordinating the efforts of and providing leadership for regional educational service delivery systems. The measure establishes the position, provides funding and describes the powers and duties for a Director of the Office of Regional Education Services.