

House Bill 2234

Sponsored by Representative HARKER; Senator BONAMICI (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Extends for two years authority of Department of Education to grant waiver to school district to enter into contract for alternative provider of nationally normed assessments.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2011.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to nationally normed assessments; creating new provisions; amending sections 1 and 2,
3 chapter 824, Oregon Laws 2009; and declaring an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 2, chapter 824, Oregon Laws 2009, is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 2.** Section 1, **chapter 824, Oregon Laws 2009**, *[of this 2009 Act]* is repealed on June 30,
7 *[2011]* **2013**.

8 **SECTION 2.** Section 1, chapter 824, Oregon Laws 2009, is amended to read:

9 **Sec. 1.** (1) Notwithstanding ORS 329.488 and for the purpose of administering a nationally
10 normed assessment to students in a school district who are in grade 10, the Department of Educa-
11 tion shall grant a waiver to a school district to enter into a contract with a nonprofit entity other
12 than the contractor selected by the department under ORS 329.488 if:

13 (a) The district had entered into a contract with the entity for the 2007-2008 school year to ad-
14 minister an assessment to students in the district who are in grade 10;

15 (b) The entity, in coordination with the district, administered an assessment during the 2007-2008
16 school year to students in the district who are in grade 10;

17 (c) For the most recent school year in which the entity administered an assessment, the entity
18 met the criteria established under ORS 329.488 (2) as in effect for the school year in which the en-
19 tity administered the assessment; and

20 (d) The entity plans to meet the criteria established under ORS 329.488 (2) for the school year
21 for which the school district seeks a waiver.

22 (2) A waiver granted by the department under this section:

23 (a) Is valid for one school year; and

24 (b) May be renewed each school year.

25 (3) The department shall reimburse a school district for the cost of assessments allowed under
26 this section from funds available to the department under ORS 327.008 *[(10)]* **(9)**.

27 **SECTION 3.** The amendments to section 1, chapter 824, Oregon Laws 2009, by section 2
28 of this 2011 Act become operative June 30, 2012.

29 **SECTION 4.** This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
30 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect
31 July 1, 2011.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

