

# House Bill 2286

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## 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**.

Directs Department of Education to develop grant program for high school dropout prevention programs administered by school districts.

Establishes High School Dropout Prevention Grant Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in fund to department for grant program.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to high school students; and appropriating money.

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

**SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Education shall develop a grant program for the disbursement of funds to school districts for programs designed to address the problem of students leaving high school before graduation and to reduce the numbers of such students.**

**(2) The Department of Education shall by rule develop guidelines for school district programs eligible to receive grant funds under subsection (1) of this section. The guidelines must require school districts receiving grant funds under the program to:**

**(a) Manage a team of school administrators, counselors, teachers, law enforcement personnel and representatives from social service agencies dedicated to reducing high school dropout rates.**

**(b) Develop a student tracking system that provides prompt data on the attendance records of students at risk of dropping out of high school.**

**(c) Engage and involve the parents or guardians of students at risk of dropping out of high school in crafting strategies and solutions to allow students to remain in school.**

**SECTION 2. (1) The High School Dropout Prevention Grant Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the High School Dropout Prevention Grant Fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Education for the purpose of distributing grants to school districts under section 1 of this 2011 Act.**

**(2) The Department of Education may accept grants, donations, contributions or gifts from any source for deposit in the High School Dropout Prevention Grant Fund established under subsection (1) of this section for the purpose of distributing grants to school districts under section 1 of this 2011 Act.**

**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.