

House Bill 2307

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SUMMARY

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Requires education service district and component school districts to include information related to special education services in annual report to State Board of Education.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to special education services delivered by education service districts; amending ORS
3 334.125.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 334.125 is amended to read:

6 334.125. (1) The education service district is a body corporate.

7 (2) The education service district board is authorized to transact all business coming within the
8 jurisdiction of the education service district and may sue and be sued.

9 (3) The education service district board shall perform all duties required by law, including but
10 not limited to:

11 (a) Distribution of such school funds as it is empowered to apportion;

12 (b) Conduct of audits;

13 (c) Duties as district boundary board;

14 (d) Budget and tax levying duties, including the levying of taxes under ORS 280.060;

15 (e) Contracting a bonded indebtedness and levying direct ad valorem taxes on all taxable prop-
16 erty within the education service district in the manner that component school districts are au-
17 thorized to issue bonds and levy taxes under ORS 328.205 to 328.304 and other laws applicable to
18 the issuance of bonds and levying of taxes by school districts; and

19 (f) Creating a county education bond district under ORS 328.304 from a county within the dis-
20 trict.

21 (4) In addition to its duties under subsection (3) of this section, an education service district
22 board may provide services required by the local service plan developed pursuant to ORS 334.175
23 and may provide funds to component school districts to provide services required by the local plan
24 in lieu of those school districts receiving services from the education service district.

25 (5) The education service district board may employ and fix the compensation of such personnel
26 as it considers necessary for carrying out duties of the board.

27 (6) In carrying out its duties, the education service district board:

28 (a) May locate, buy, accept by gift or lease such land, buildings and facilities as may be required
29 for district purposes. Leases authorized by this section may be for a term of up to 30 years and
30 include lease-purchase agreements whereunder the district may acquire ownership of the leased
31 property.

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.

1 (b) May acquire personal property by a lease-purchase agreement or contract of purchase for a
 2 term exceeding one year. A lease-purchase agreement is one in which the rent payable by the dis-
 3 trict is expressly agreed to have been established to reflect the savings resulting from the exemption
 4 from taxation, and the district is entitled to ownership of the property at a nominal or other price
 5 which is stated or determinable by the terms of the agreement and was not intended to reflect the
 6 true value of the property.

7 (c) May lease property or sell and convey property of the district as the board considers un-
 8 necessary to its purposes.

9 (d) May purchase relocatable structures in installment transactions in which deferred install-
 10 ments of the purchase price are payable over not more than 10 years from the date of delivery of
 11 the property to the district and are secured by a security interest in the property. The transactions
 12 may take the form of, but are not limited to, lease-purchase agreements.

13 (e) May accept money or property donated for the use or benefit of the district and use the
 14 money or property for the purpose for which it was donated.

15 (7) The education service district board may adopt rules it considers necessary to carry out the
 16 duties of the board.

17 (8) The education service district may contract with public and private entities for service de-
 18 livery.

19 (9)(a) The education service district shall work cooperatively with component school districts
 20 and review periodically with component school districts the operations of component school districts
 21 and shall submit to the component school districts plans for operations that achieve economies and
 22 efficiencies through consolidation of various operations of all or some of the districts. The education
 23 service district and its component school districts shall submit an annual report on the effectiveness
 24 of the consolidation of operations to the State Board of Education.

25 (b) As used in this subsection, “operations” means services involving transportation, payroll,
 26 student records, auditing, legal services, insurance, printing, investment and other similar services.

27 **(10) As part of the annual report submitted to the State Board of Education, as described**
 28 **in subsection (9) of this section, the education service district and its component school**
 29 **districts shall include information on the estimated cost savings of providing special educa-**
 30 **tion services through the education service district as compared to providing special educa-**
 31 **tion services through each component school district.**

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