

House Bill 3244

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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**.

Allows certain districts to offer benefit plans other than benefit plans provided by Oregon Educators Benefit Board.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to Oregon Educators Benefit Board; creating new provisions; amending ORS 243.252; and
3 repealing ORS 243.886 and section 16, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2007.

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

5 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2011 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 243.860 to**
6 **243.886.**

7 **SECTION 2. (1) A district may provide or contract for benefit plans provided and ad-**
8 **ministered by the Oregon Educators Benefit Board or, if the district employs 500 or fewer**
9 **employees, the district may provide or contract for benefit plans other than benefit plans**
10 **provided and administered by the board.**

11 **(2) Eligible employees may participate in benefit plans provided and administered by the**
12 **board or benefit plans provided or contracted for by a district.**

13 **SECTION 3. A district that offers a benefit plan provided and administered by the Oregon**
14 **Educators Benefit Board may not offer its own benefit plan until the expiration of the benefit**
15 **plan provided and administered by the board.**

16 **SECTION 4. ORS 243.252 is amended to read:**

17 243.252. (1) The state may pay none of the cost of making health benefit plan coverage available
18 to a retired state employee who is an eligible employee and to family members or may agree, by
19 collective bargaining agreement or otherwise, to pay part or all of that cost.

20 (2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section or other law[, *except ORS 243.886,*] prohibits a col-
21 lective bargaining unit from agreeing with an employer that is a public body, as defined in ORS
22 174.109, to establish a retiree medical trust, voluntary employees' beneficiary association, health
23 reimbursement arrangement or other agreement for health care expenses of employees or retirees
24 if the provisions of the trust, association, arrangement or other agreement comply with the re-
25 quirements of the Insurance Code.

26 **SECTION 5. (1) ORS 243.886 is repealed.**

27 **(2) Section 16, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2007, as amended by section 7, chapter 39, Oregon**
28 **Laws 2008, is repealed.**

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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.