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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.

Establishes School District Collaboration Grant Program to provide funding for school districts to improve student achievement.

Establishes School District Collaboration Grant Account. Appropriates moneys to Department of Education for School District Collaboration Grant Program.

Provides for funding of School District Collaboration Grant Program.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2011.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to education collaboration grant program; appropriating money; and declaring an emer-
3 gency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2011 Act are added to and made a part of ORS**
6 **chapter 329.**

7 **SECTION 2. (1) The School District Collaboration Grant Program is established to pro-**
8 **vide funding for school districts to improve student achievement through the voluntary col-**
9 **laboration of teachers and administrators to design and implement new approaches to:**

10 (a) **Career pathways for teachers and administrators;**

11 (b) **Evaluation processes for teachers and administrators;**

12 (c) **Compensation models for teachers and administrators; and**

13 (d) **Enhanced professional development opportunities for teachers and administrators.**

14 (2)(a) **The Department of Education shall administer the grant program established by**
15 **this section and may provide technical expertise to school districts applying for or receiving**
16 **a grant under this section.**

17 (b) **For the purpose of providing technical expertise, the department may enter into**
18 **contracts with nonprofit entities that have experience in designing and implementing ap-**
19 **proaches that are similar to the approaches described in subsection (1) of this section.**

20 (c) **The department may expend no more than five percent of the amount appropriated**
21 **to the department for the grant program to pay for the administrative costs incurred by the**
22 **department under this section, including any costs related to contracts described in para-**
23 **graph (b) of this subsection.**

24 (3) **Each school district may apply to the department for a grant under this section. Prior**
25 **to applying for a grant, the school district must receive the approval to apply for the grant**

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 from:

2 (a) The exclusive bargaining representative for the teachers of the school district or, if
3 the teachers are not represented by an exclusive bargaining representative, from the teach-
4 ers of the school district;

5 (b) The chairperson of the school district board; and

6 (c) The superintendent of the school district.

7 (4)(a) Funding for the grant program established by this section shall be provided through
8 the School District Collaboration Grant Account established by section 3 of this 2011 Act.

9 (b) For the purpose of a grant awarded under this section:

10 (A) Grant Amount = School district ADMw × (the total amount available for distrib-
11 ution during a fiscal year through the School District Collaboration Grant Program ÷ the
12 total ADMw of the school districts that receive a grant for the fiscal year through the School
13 District Collaboration Grant Program).

14 (B) ADMw shall be calculated as provided by ORS 327.013, 338.155 (1) and 338.165 (3).

15 (c) Moneys received by a school district under this section must be separately accounted
16 for and may be used only to provide funding for the purposes described in the application
17 submitted by the school district.

18 (5) The department shall accumulate, evaluate and publish student achievement results
19 of school districts receiving grants under this section to determine the effectiveness of the
20 approaches implemented by the school districts under the grant program.

21 (6)(a) Except as provided by paragraph (b) of this subsection, the State Board of Educa-
22 tion may adopt any rules necessary for the implementation of the grant program established
23 by this section.

24 (b) The board may not adopt any rules that establish statewide standards for the design
25 and implementation of the approaches described in subsection (1) of this section.

26 **SECTION 3.** The School District Collaboration Grant Account is established in the State
27 Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the School Dis-
28 trict Collaboration Grant Account shall be credited to the account. Moneys in the School
29 District Collaboration Grant Account are continuously appropriated to the Department of
30 Education for the School District Collaboration Grant Program established by section 2 of
31 this 2011 Act.

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