77TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY 2013 REGULAR SESSION STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY HOUSE REVENUE COMMITTEE MEASURE: HB 2956

CARRIER:

REVENUE: FISCAL:

Action: Vote:

Yeas: Nays: Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 4/2, 5/31

WHAT THE BILL DOES: Modifies the method by which moneys from the State School Fund (SSF) are distributed to school districts to pay for the Long Term Care and Treatment program. Applies the method beginning with the 2013-14 SSF distribution. Takes effect on July 1, 2013.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Program task force recommendation
- Need for stable, cost-based, data-driven funding to the program

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Currently the Long Term Care and Treatment program receives funding from three sources: federal funds, the General Fund (GF), and the State School Fund (SSF). This bill eliminates the GF as a funding source and specifies that all state funding come from the SSF.

Co-chairs' SSF recommendation (SB 5519) allocates \$19.5 million to the program for the 2013-15 school year. According to the Oregon Department of Education preliminary analysis, this bill would distribute about \$42 million per biennium from the SSF to the program. So, the implementation of this bill means that there would be about \$22.5 million less formula revenue available for distribution to school districts and education service districts per biennium.

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