
MEMORANDUM

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To: *Education Subcommittee*

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Date: June 18, 2013

Subject: *HB 2644 B*
Work Session

House Bill 2644 Directs education programs to submit class size information to the Department of Education. Directs Department of Education to make the information available to the public on its website.

The measure had a public hearing in this Subcommittee on May 16, 2013.

The Work Session packet, including measure, staff measure summary, and amendment are available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS). The measure has no revenue impact and an indeterminate fiscal impact.

Amendment

-A2 amendment adds appropriation language to the bill.

Motion #1: Move the –A2 amendment to HB 2644 A.

Measure as Modified

The measure, as amended, is recommended to be moved to the full Committee on Joint Ways and Means.

Motion #2: Move HB 2644 A to the full committee with a “do pass” recommendation, as modified.

Chair to assign carriers:

Full: _____

House: _____

Senate: _____

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Prepared by: Tim Walker
 Reviewed by: Linda Gilbert, Doug Wilson
 Date: 03/01/2013

Measure Description:

Directs state education programs to submit specified information about number of students and number of licensed or registered teachers regularly assigned to students.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education, Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), School Districts

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

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	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Fund	\$267,446	
Lottery Funds		
Other Funds		
Federal Funds		
Total Funds	\$267,446	\$0
Positions		

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis: This bill requires the Department of Education (ODE) to report on the number of students and number of licensed or registered teachers regularly assigned to students and makes the information available to the public and to the Legislative Assembly. The bill instructs ODE to report on core curriculum (defined by the State Board of Education) for 2014-15 school year. In the 2015-16 school year ODE would report on all classes.

ODE is currently working on a data system funded with ARRA funds that will be able to meet the reporting requirements of this bill, but is not robust enough to collect and report the volume of data required by this bill. ODE will need to make technical improvements to the system and create a reporting process. It is expected that this will require \$267,446 General Fund to meet these requirements. These are one-time costs that would be incurred in the 2013-15 biennium.

Oregon Youth Authority contracts with school districts for teachers and would not be affected by this bill. School districts would be affected by this bill due to the additional reporting requirements and it is reasonable to assume that this fiscal impact could be substantial. Actual estimates of this cost are not available at this time.

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep.
Carrier – Senate: Sen.

Revenue:

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Action:

Vote:

House

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Senate

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Meeting Date: [Full Committee Meeting Date]

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs education programs to submit class size information to the Department of Education. Directs Department of Education to make the information available to the public on its website.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

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EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: -A2 amendment adds appropriation language to the bill.

BACKGROUND: The current law requires state education programs to provide information to the Department of Education about the number of students in the core curriculum. This measure changes the language to direct the education programs to submit information about the total number of students in classes.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2644**

1 On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 2, after “students” insert
2 “; creating new provisions; appropriating money; and declaring an
3 emergency”.

4 On page 2, after line 6, insert:

5 **“SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2013 Act becomes operative January
6 1, 2014.**

7 **“SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
8 ation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the
9 biennium beginning July 1, 2013, out of the General Fund, the amount
10 of \$267,446, which may be expended by the department for costs in-
11 curred by the department related to section 1 of this 2013 Act.**

12 **“SECTION 5. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate
13 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
14 declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on July 1, 2013.”.**