

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Beyer, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan, Hass
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/28, 3/12

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes Task Force on School Capital Improvement Planning. Sunsets task force on convening of 2015 regular session of Legislative Assembly. Appropriates funds for task force. Directs Department of Education to establish and maintain public education facility information database. Appropriates funds for database. Directs department to administer school capital construction program. Sunsets program on July 1, 2015. Appropriates funds for program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Current level of expenditure for K-12, community college capital projects; anticipated level of bonding in the future for such projects
- Age, state of many education facilities statewide
- Lack of comprehensive information for school facilities
- Need to establish best practices and properly inventory/account for current facilities in advance of anticipated capital expenditure planning
- Desire to access expertise and offerings of Oregon Energy Trust whenever possible

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Changes language in response to previous concerns raised at hearing, including removing references to Community College and adding specific database requirements.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 2013-B (2009) established the Oregon School Facilities Task Force. That task force was administrated by the Department of Administrative Services, and was charged with generating a report making recommendations regarding, but not limited to: health/fire/safety/natural disaster concerns; capital requirements for facilities upgrades and long-term planning; and a system-wide information aggregation of best practices. The measure required that the report be delivered to the legislature no later than February, 2011, with the task force automatically sunseting after January 2, 2012. It is unclear whether the report was ever delivered to the legislature. Senate Bill 245-A (2011), which would have amended the relevant Oregon Revised Statute chapters to extend the reporting requirements to February 2012 and the sunset to January 2, 2014, was moved to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means from the Senate Committee on Education and Workforce Development with a “Do Pass as Amended” recommendation on April 21, 2011. That bill remained in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means at the adjournment of the 76th legislative session.

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