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Measure: HB 2264

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Measure Description:

Authorizes Department of Transportation to increase rate of reimbursement for reduced-tuition traffic safety education courses provided to low-income students by public school, commercial driver training school or county.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)

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: HB 2264 requires ODOT to increase subsidies for driver education classes for low-income teens, create strategies for underserved areas of the state, allow the department to contract directly with a provider in underserved areas, and develop greater accountability for the program. Current law allows ODOT to subsidize the cost of driver's education classes at \$210 per student.

The fiscal impact is indeterminate due to the inability to accurately estimate how many additional students may take advantage of the program due to increased incentives and the amount of incentives per student that may be offered. Each additional teen that signs up under this program will cost ODOT \$210 plus the amount of the incentive. The Student Driver Training Fund is funded by a fee of \$6 per driver license issuance or renewal. There is approximately \$10.0 million in the fund. ODOT also anticipates additional costs (\$14,300) associated with rule development and adoption.

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