

Enrolled House Bill 2644

Sponsored by Representative KOMP, Senator KNOPP; Representatives BUCKLEY, CLEM, DOHERTY, FAGAN, FREDERICK, GARRETT, GELSER, GREENLICK, HICKS, HOLVEY, HOYLE, KENY-GUYER, NATHANSON, WEIDNER, WHISNANT, WITT, Senators BOQUIST, CLOSE, GIROD, KRUSE, MONROE, ROBLAN, ROSENBAUM, STARR, STEINER HAYWARD (Pre-session filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to class sizes of students; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “public education program” means an education program provided by any of the following:

- (a) A school district;
- (b) A public charter school;
- (c) An education service district;
- (d) A long term care or treatment facility, as described in ORS 343.961;
- (e) The Youth Corrections Education Program; or
- (f) The Oregon School for the Deaf.

(2) For each school year, the Department of Education shall require public education programs to submit the following information about students in kindergarten through grade 12 classes:

- (a) The total number of students in the classes; and
- (b) The total number of licensed or registered teachers regularly assigned to the students counted under paragraph (a) of this subsection.

(3) By February 1 of the year following the school year described in subsection (2) of this section, the Department of Education shall make the information received under subsection (2) of this section available to:

- (a) The public on the website of the Department of Education; and
- (b) The Legislative Assembly through annual reports.

(4) For the purpose of this section, the State Board of Education shall identify by rule:

- (a) The definition of what constitutes a class for which a public education program must report;
- (b) The definition of what constitutes regular assignment of teachers to students for purposes of subsection (2)(b) of this section;
- (c) The categories of classes for which a public education program must report; and
- (d) If possible, the source of an existing data set that may be used to satisfy the requirements of this section.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act first applies to information submitted by public education programs for the 2014-2015 school year.

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2013 Act becomes operative January 1, 2014.

SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$267,446, which may be expended by the department for costs incurred by the department related to section 1 of this 2013 Act.

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

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Ramona J. Line, Chief Clerk of House

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