77TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY 2014 REGULAR SESSION STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY SENATE FINANCE AND REVENUE COMMITTEE MEASURE: SB 1528-1 CARRIER:

REVENUE: FISCAL:

Action: Vote:

> Yeas: Nays: Exc.:

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/3, 2/12

**WHAT THE BILL DOES**: Specifies that the Long Term Care and Treatment education programs be funded by way of the formula revenue distribution. Takes effect on July 1, 2014.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- History and funding of the Long Term Care and Treatment (LTCT) education program
- Various weights in the formula
- Need for the School Funding Task Force to assess weight issues, including LTCT education program's weight

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:** Changes the program's formula weight from 3 to 2. Reallocates the program's 2014-15 General Fund's portion to the State School Fund. Removes additional appropriation of the General Fund to the State School Fund.

**BACKGROUND:** The Long Term Care and Treatment (LTCT) education programs are public education programs in psychiatric treatment centers for children. The children served by these programs have a variety of therapeutic and educational needs. The programs operate under strict mental health standards.

Currently, the LTCT programs have two funding sources: the State School Fund and the General Fund. SB 1528 stipulates that the LTCT programs be solely funded through the formula revenue distribution, beginning with the 2014-15 school year.

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