

HB 2967-1 & HB 2968 -1

Transparency & Accountability of

\$593 million from

STATE SCHOOL FUND

For

ELL Students (HB 2967 -1) &

Poverty family Students (HB 2968-1)

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Bi-partisan Sponsors

- Rep Joe Gallegos
- Rep Sherrie Springer
- Rep Gene Whisnant
- Sen Mark Hass

The Need

- ELL population is growing
- Families in Poverty are increasing

State School Fund Distribution Formula

Each Student	\$6,000/school year	\$12,000/budget
ELL Student	(+) \$3,000/school year	(+) \$6,000/budget
Poverty Students	+\$1,500/school year	(+) \$3,000/budget

Funds from State School Fund

ELL Students $57,376 \times \$3,000 = \172.1 million/school yr
 $57,376 \times \$6,000 = \344.2 million/budget

Poverty students $83,139 \times \$1,500 = \124.7 million/school yr
 $83,139 \times \$3,000 = \249.4 million/budget

ELL/Poverty allocation from State School Fund

School Year = **\$296.8 million**

Budget = **\$593.6 million**

Data: ODE 2013/2014 school year

Transparency & Accountability *

- ODE requires school districts to report ELL expenditures.
- There is **NO** reporting required on how ELL allocations are spent.
- There is **NO** requirement to report **outcomes** of additional ELL allocations.
- There is **NO** reporting required for how much is allocated; how additional allocations for low income students are spent; or outcomes from the additional allocation.

TASK FORCE ON SCHOOL FUNDING

Report to Legislature, Oct 2014

- “ODE WORK WITH SD’S TO ASSURE ESL/ELL EXPENDITURE DATA IS REPORTED CORRECTLY.”
- “ANY CHANGE TO FORMULA MUST BE FULLY RESEARCHED AND BASED UPON BEST PRACTICES.”

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- Seek transparency & accountability of the almost \$600 million allocations for ELL students and students in poverty families.
- Requires school districts to submit an annual report describing funds received, funds expended, on what were the funds expended and what are the outcomes/progress.
- ODE will develop the report and brief the legislature on the report data.

ECS on ELL FUNDING

- 46 states provide ELL funding + Title III (OR)
- 3 states provide more than Oregon (50%)
- 9 states fund ELL as a separate budget line
- 3 states fund ELL based on reimbursements
- WA provides \$930 (OR \$3,000)

- OLIS: ECS ELL Funding “Trends in State Laws”

Title I & III

ELL & Poverty Funding & Reporting

- TITLE I
- Fed's grant funding based on census poverty
- 2015-2016 (est.) is \$140 million (570 schools)

- TITLE III
- 2014-2015 funding: \$7.0 million/\$146 student

- Extensive reporting required to account for expenditures and to measure outcomes

- **OLIS: Bend-La Pine Title III report**

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- Non ESL parents want smaller class sizes and believe more effective use of ELL funding would help.
- ESL parents want their students to learn quicker & to know how the ELL funds are spent.
- **OLIS: Oregonian article “Oregon needs ELL reform.**
- **With \$50 million poverty funding; we could have a nurse in every K-6 school.**
- **(Oregon Nurses Association lobbyist)**

2012-2013 ELL reporting

- State School fund allocation was \$159 million
- \$141.7 million allocated to school districts
- \$131.6 million expenditures by school districts

- It appears
 - \$17.3 million was not given to the school districts.
 - \$10.1 million not spent by school districts.

- Thus, not sure we need to up the .5 additional funding for ELL to .6 at this time.