

**PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY****CARRIER:**

Senate Committee on Education

**REVENUE: No revenue impact****FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued****Action:****Vote:****Yeas:****Nays:****Exc.:****Prepared By:** Gretchen Engbring, Administrator**Meeting Dates:** 3/12, 3/31

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires school districts provide instruction in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and uses of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) to students. Requires instruction be based on American Heart Association (AHA) guidelines. Specifies acceptable instructors. Exempts students who are unable to participate by reason of disability. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2015.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Impacts of hands-only CPR on survival rates
- Legislation in other states
- Examples of existing voluntary training in Oregon
- Cost of training per student
- Potential of community collaborations to lower costs
- Lawsuit potential

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

-5 amendments (proposed) remove requirement that instruction be based on AHA guidelines. Require instead that instruction be based on any current, nationally recognized emergency cardiac care guidelines. Allow for instruction as part of physical education or health curriculum. Allow exemption from hands-on practice requirements for virtual schools.

**BACKGROUND:** Senate Bill 1033 (2010) required schools to have AEDs on their premises. Senate Bill 375 (2013) proposed to require that students receive training in CPR and the use of AEDs in order to receive a high school diploma. Senate Bill 375 was referred to and heard by the Senate Committee on Education and Workforce Development, but remained in committee upon adjournment.

Senate Bill 79 requires that school districts provide instruction in CPR and the uses of AEDs to students in grades seven through 12, beginning in the 2015-2016 school year. The bill requires that the instruction included hands-on practicing of CPR, and be developed by the AHA, American Red Cross, or other organization that has developed nationally recognized instruction based on AHA guidelines.

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