

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:** 4/9, 4/16, 4/17

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires schools and children's facilities to make available certain information related to immunizations. Directs Superintendent of Public Instruction to include specified information related to immunizations on school district and school performance reports.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Existing data on immunization rates provided by Oregon Health Authority (OHA)
- Student privacy and aggregate data on immunization rates
- Herd immunity
- Individual versus public rights
- Non-medical exemptions
- Online vaccine education module
- Outbreaks and incidence of preventable disease
- Information needed to allow parents to make informed decisions about immunization
- Purview of Senate Committee on Education versus Senate Committee on Health Care

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

-5 amendments (proposed) require each school and children's facility to report annually to OHA on children in attendance conditionally because of incomplete immunization schedules. Require local health department to make available to each school and children's facility it serves data on immunization rate by disease of children in area. Allow OHA to assist local health departments in compiling data. Require each school and children's facility to make available immunization rate data by disease at main office, online where possible, and through paper document or electronic communication. Specify timeline for providing immunization data. Repeal section 4, chapter 516, Oregon Laws 2013. Declare emergency, effective on passage.

BACKGROUND: ORS 433.269 regulates rules, records and reporting related to immunizations provided by local health departments. Currently, local health departments are required to provide immunizations at convenient times and locations, to be administered under the direction of the local health officer. The local health department and all schools and children's facilities are required to report annually to the OHA on the number of children in the area served and the number of children who are susceptible to restrictable disease. Students exempted under ORS 433.267 are considered susceptible. Additionally, the administrator is required to maintain immunization records of children, including children in conditional attendance due to incomplete immunizations or exemptions.

As introduced, Senate Bill 895 proposes to amend ORS 433.269 to require that each school and children's facility provide information on the number of children in the area served and the number of children who are susceptible to restrictable disease at the main office of the school or facility and on the school or facility website, if available. ORS 329.105 requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to collect data and produce annual school district and performance reports to provide information to parents to provide schools. Senate Bill 895 requires that information related to the number of children served and the number of children susceptible to restrictable disease be added to these reports.

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