

WHAT SB 957 DOES

Bill Language	Impact
<p>The standards may include requirements for instructional time, except that, unless the amount of moneys available for the state’s system of kindergarten through grade 12 public education is at least 83 percent of the amount of moneys determined to be sufficient by the Quality Education Commission under ORS 327.506, the standards may not prescribe a requirement that:</p> <p>(A) Students in kindergarten through grade 3 be provided more than 810 hours of instructional time per year; (B) Students in grades 4 through 8 be provided more than 900 hours of instructional time per year; (C) Students in grades 9 through 12 be provided more than 990 hours of instructional time per year; or (D) A specified percentage of students of the school district be scheduled to receive the minimum hours of instructional time per year.</p>	<p>State Board of Education (SBE) may not bump up the hours required unless there’s money to pay for it, which LFO has determined is \$7.6 billion (83% of QEM)</p> <p>These are the hour requirements that were in place until 1/22/15, when ODE asked State Bd. to increase them. (They take effect on 7/1/15 unless SB 957 passes.)</p>
<p>SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 326.051 by section 1 of this 2015 Act first apply to the 2015-2016 school year. [</p>	<p>Applies to next school year, to prevent the imposition of unfunded mandate to districts complying at the previous minimum.</p>
<p>SECTION 3. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect July 1, 2015.</p>	<p>Emergency Clause</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE: This bill does not roll back other changes made by SBE on the same date, relating to instructional hours. Left in place are the new definition of what is “counted” for instructional hours and the deletion of the 130-hour seat time requirement.</p>	