

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Education

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:

Vote:

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 5/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Removes outdated provisions and updates terminology related to teachers. Removes requirement that Superintendents of Education Service Districts have additional certification. Eliminates certain requirements for becoming approved educator preparation provider or approved educator preparation program. Eliminates certain requirements for licensure of out-of-state applicants. Requires Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) to adopt standards related to dyslexia education programs. Requires TSPC to report on adoption of standards to the Legislative Assembly no later than October 1, 2016.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) was established in 1965, and is the state licensing agency for educators. The TSPC has three main areas of responsibility: approval of teacher preparation programs offered by Oregon colleges and universities; licensure of teachers, administrators and other personnel employed in Oregon schools; and management of disciplinary actions relevant to educators conduct, including violations of the Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance.

House Bill 2412-A updates provisions and terminology relating to teachers and the TSPC. It also requires the TSPC to adopt standards relating to dyslexia education for post-secondary education programs.